An Empowered Filipina Woman

Sally Basiga Famarin

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Dedication

To her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, family, friends, and the Santo Nino de Cebu devotees. This is to share the life of an extraordinary Filipina woman. Her message to her family, written by her:

"The achievements I have accomplished all through the years would not have been made possible without the people around me. My family has in certain ways suffered from those achievements, bearing with me the burdens, struggle and hardships of whatever projects I have been involved with. To my son Rudy, my daughters Cathay and Sally Anne, my grandchildren Alicia and Anthony, I want you to know that your patience and perseverance mean so much to me and have given me the greater courage and vision in all my undertakings."

Preface

This book is created to provide the history of Sally Basiga Famarin, a Filipina woman establishing her life in the United States. The story begins in 1950 through her death in 1992.

The source of the documents comes from the collections in her scrapbooks, The Silver and Golden Years, photographs, and memorabilia.

The quality of the content captured for this book is less than perfect, as they are copies of her creations. Many pages contain her own embellishments.

The articles, letters and information depict her character, an extraordinary Filipina woman, during the times in from the 1950's through 1980's.

I want to give Mom a BIG THANK YOU for keeping journals, scrapbooks, photos and key documents! This is all part of her legacy that she left behind. Without these precious treasures the information in this book would not Be!

Autobiography

A Born Leader

Written By Sally Basiga Famarin

October 1987

A PERSON is the sum of his memories. The statement rings even more true when one considers the case of people whose memories are erased by a really, traumatic accident or illness. We they speak of their personality as having changed; they are no longer the people they once were, no longer able to relate to their friends and loved ones, not even the most casual acquaintances.

Our century is a century of change. Everywhere our identities are challenged and threatened. It becomes an effort to remain ourselves. Hence my eagerness in sharing with you, dear friend, the memories of my life - memories which have made me what I am.

A Silver Jubilee such as the one I celebrated this year as a Realtor provides me with the opportunity - call it excuse - for gathering my memories together. While magic onstage is said to be mostly done with mirrors, I have chosen to employ pictures - a few among the very many I have accumulated over the years, some of them yellowing with age, pictures of a tiny, far-away barrio where my humble life had its beginnings.

I was born in a remote section of Mandaue City, in Cebu, the Philippines, on 11 November. My parents, Severo Ranili Basiga and Serapia Seno Dabon had four children: Avelina, Policronio, Soledad (my baptismal name), and Estefa. My family was poor, and early on we learned the most basic lesson of life, that success and hard work always go hand in hand. There was plenty of time for child's play, and the whole sleepy, pastoral, almost paradisal barrio was our playground. No expensive toys, in fact no toys except what we could invent. One really had to use one's imagination and ingenuity.

Success came early in the form of highest honors from the grade school I attended, Cabancalan Elementary School. From age five, prizes in declamation and academics came easily to me. I had the happiness of having very appreciative parents, generous and supportive teachers, and friends who wished me ever more and more success.

Then my father died. I was eleven, a happy child - too happy in fact, for I was not prepared to accept this first hard fact of life. My father's death hurt me very deeply. I no longer wanted to continue schooling. This was complicated by the need for Mother to work in order to keep the family alive. Still she made it her supreme campaign to keep me in school, even when I had to enter the higher grades in a public school in downtown Mandaue. Another complication was that I had to walk some seven miles a day to and from

school. But my mother's persistence paid off, and I was able to finish grade school properly. After that, more hard work became my daily bread. In what seemed to be very far-away Cebu City, where I had to enroll at the Provincial High School, the cost of schooling and commuting was high. I started working part-time, doing laundry work. This most humble of occupations sustained me for the better part of four years. I was even able to go to the Business School of Southern College (now the University of Southern Philippines) until the war broke out and all organized life came to a stand still.

At this time I discovered literature. Poetry in our native tongue had a special allure for me. By age 14 I had a whole sheaf of poems ready for any occasion, any audience. One poem about the ugliness of war stands out in my memory, because it was my most requested number. I soon marshaled this love for literature to help people forget the woes of wartime. I organized and headed a group known as Young Bachelors Club and another called Dramatic Club. It was hard to tell who enjoyed our performances more; those on stage or those on the ground. But we were much in demand, our numbers and performances increasing as the years of war dragged on.

After the war I found employment as a bookkeeper and business manager for Mrs. Aquilina R. Velez, with whom I stayed for four years. It was an experience that sharpened my business acumen, and helped me grow as a responsible person. The money came in handy. Soon I was able to build my mother a decent house, where she lived until she, too, passed away.

During these years, although life was hectic and work of prime importance, romance came in the person of Carsiolo Famarin, a native of Aklan, Philippines. He was an American citizen with an honorable discharge from the United States Army. We were married on February 5, 1950, and in August of that same year we decided to migrate to the United States. We settled down in San Francisco, California and started raising children. The next ten years I spent as a housewife, taking care of our four children: Sally Anne, Cathay, Rudy, and Rose Marie.

When my youngest, Rose Marie entered kindergarten, I started attending Real Estate School. Mrs. Lucille Dedier Meyer, Realtor of House and Homes Realty, enrolled me at Chamberlain Real Estate School in San Francisco, after which I started working for House and Homes, spending two years as real estate salesman. Encouraged by my success, I decided to go for my broker's license and attended Harlowe's Real Estate School in 1962. I passed the examination given by the Division of Real Estate in California and opened my own office, Famarin Realty. Business was blooming - again due to hard work - and my next step was to expand my office, accommodating more personnel and tendering more services. In 1963 a bigger office was opened in the Sunset-Parkside area of San Francisco, by which time I became the first Filipina Woman Realtor in California. Although my business sported a new name, United Homes Realty, I still retained Famarin Realty for sentimental reasons.

In 1962 the business began to include the services of a Notary Public, when I became a chartered member of the American Society of Notaries. Complete real estate service since 1965 included the following: Notary Public, United Homes Insurance Service, General Insurance, Business Opportunities, and Travel Consultancy. Then in 1975 I, received my Income Tax Diploma from H & R Block of San Francisco, and took my license as Real Property Securities Dealer in 1980. Meanwhile I obtained a license to run an ambulatory home for the aged. With my civic and community experience paving the way for more involvement in the community life of San Francisco.

I started to be involved in spearheading campaigns of political figures by supporting their programs before the Filipino community. Most of the candidates were victorious, but that, of course, is due to their own hard work. "What is beyond doubt is " that my involvement in the candidacy of these successful men

and women made them aware of the importance of the Filipino - which in turn gave our ethnic group not a few benefits.

In 1967 I revisited the Philippines - rediscovered is probably a better world. That confrontation with my roots left such a deep impression on me that it has guided most of my actuations since, especially my small efforts to make the Santo Nino de Cebu known and loved (and rediscovered) by other Filipinos wherever I go. Being a resident of San Francisco made it necessary for me for the Santo Nino to have a grand fiesta every year, in January, just like in good old Cebu. My efforts in this area succeeded to the point that the City Fathers endorsed and applauded the celebration each year, and each year the number of devotees increased by leaps and bounds. The late Mayor Moscone once expressed the opinion that my spearheading the annual fiesta, complete with solemn procession of the image through the streets of downtown San Francisco, was the most important single item among my accomplishments. It required a lot of effort, patience amid trials, and courage, but the Santo Nino saw to it that I had a good supply of those qualities.

The Pastor of St. Joseph's Parish in downtown San Francisco was so touched by the enthusiasm displayed by the Filipino community - and by non-Filipinos as well - that he threw the doors of his church wide open for the devotion. So that in 1980 the Santo Nino was enthroned in St. Joseph's church, waiting for the day when He will have a place of His own, a shrine that will house His image, and a cultural and spiritual capital for transplanted Filipinos in San Francisco. As the Pastor, Father James A. McGee summed it up, "The Santo Nino can really bring a dying parish back to life again." Words of inspiration that spurred me on to bring the devotion to other Filipinos outside of California, even to Canada and far-away Australia.

Between 1971 and 1976 people who were supportive of my efforts and my humble person saw it fit to give me recognition, in the form of testimonial banquets. These were mostly occasioned by my having made it into the pages of Who's Who in the Golden State and Who's Who of American Women, and my being the "First Filipino" to hold three important positions in the City and County of San Francisco (including Landmarks Commissioner, City Planning, and Child Health Commissioner). Awards and Recognitions came from the President of the United States, California's Governor Jerry Brown, Mayor Joseph Alioto of San Francisco, and appreciative public authorities of the Philippines. The California State Senate and Assembly issued the Certificate of Honor on my behalf three times. An especially touching gesture came from my own hometown, Mandaue City, whose public square witnessed an unforgettable evening of songs and dances, and poetry and prose. Also, the food was delicious, as only Filipino food can be.

Lest I paint a picture too rosy to be true, let me admit, that, all throughout, there have been jarring notes, moments of defeat and discouragement. Perhaps the hardest thing I had to contend with was envy and jealousy on the part of some leaders and people around me, including close friends. While I have grown stronger because of this challenge, I can only wish that there had been more friendliness and sincerity. I often wondered how I could forge ahead. Now I know; the Santo Niño has the explanation of the mystery that my son-in-law, Andre, mentioned to my daughter so many times: "Mom just don't give up. She just keeps on going."

This is the main reason why my best efforts have been spent, not with my business as a Realtor, but with my work of multiplying the Holy Child's devotees allover: Oakland, Union City, Seattle, New York, San Jose, Nevada, Merced-Stanislaus, Wisconsin, San Diego, Sacramento, Hawaii, British Columbia, Australia, and West Germany. Other places are soon to follow, given good health and leisure which good business allows.

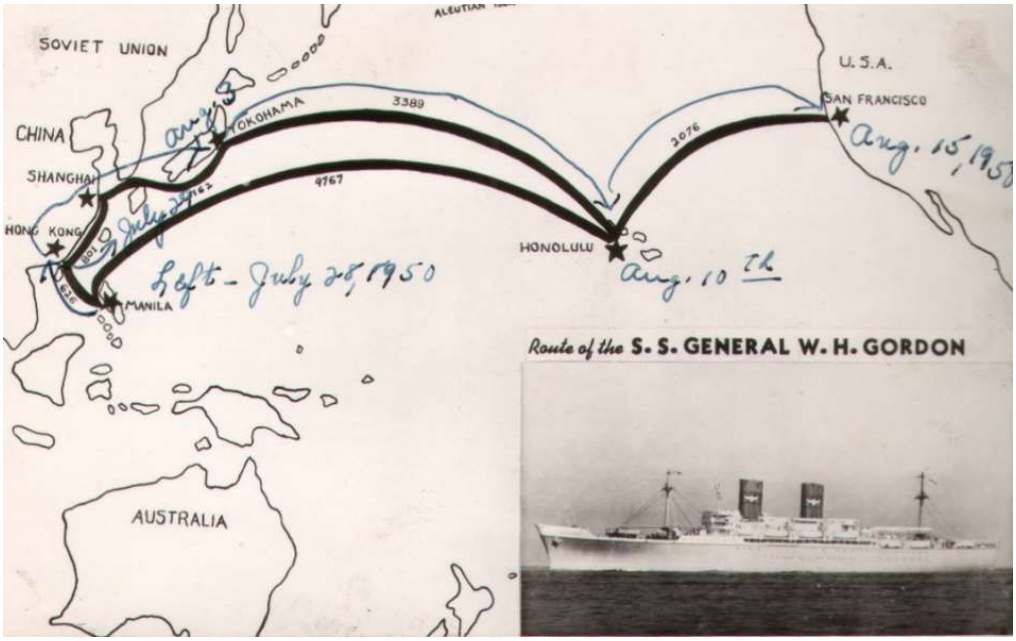
So much for memories by way of the written word. The rest will be done with pictures, if you have the patience to wade through the succeeding pages. Indeed, it has been a full life: full of friends, projects, accomplishments. And I know that there will be more while life goes on, for I believe that service to God and country never ends. You just rest, but you never finish.

Summing it Up

The year is 1950, newly married earlier in the year on February 5, Sally boarded a ship, the S. S. General W. H. Gordon, on her way to a new life in San Francisco, CA on July 28th. She was pregnant with her first child. Her autobiography pretty much sums up the life she created and early career. Read on to learn her involvement in the San Francisco community through the years..

Mandaue
Cebu, P.I.

Dearest Linda & Jack,
Look! Linda! Here comes the bride, all dressed in white. Sooner or later they'll be marching on the streets of San Francisco and walking through your door, how would you like it? Well everything seems like a dream but has come to reality. How do you like them? Will be seing you soon.
With love,
Carl & Sally



I have no doubt, if she were living today she would continue to be a force in the Filipino American community. Decades later, she would be an influencer and have a huge social media presence.

Born leader ~ business woman ~ Ms. Personality ~ inspirational ~ writer ~ creator ~

dealt with issues head on ~ a woman of many skills ~ fun loving ~ creative

This highlights her life, personality and who she was in her heart. Our Mother was filled with love. She had many, many friends, acquaintances and business associates around the globe. Family was #1! She took pride in us all, including grand-children and sons and daughter in-laws. You will find in her autobiography she was a very busy woman. What it does not tell is her colorful and creative side.

I am impressed with the life style our parents were able to offer us, especially migrating from the Philippines in 1950 to the United States, during a time when diversity was not known. Well, Mom migrated in 1950. Dad was already living in the United States, having migrated in 1930 and later became a citizen. If our parents struggled, we did not know. They had a nice apartment and many circles of

friends. By 1955 we lived in our own home in the Bernal Heights District of San Francisco, later moving to the Richmond and Sunset Districts.

We were always dressed up! Our Dad in suits and Mom in nice dresses, including evening wear. We kids were always dressed up too. Parties all the time at our home or of friends. I remember many at South Park. While growing up Mom made our clothes and hers. She has sewn her own wardrobe encompassing evening gowns, Filipina dresses, everyday clothing and coats. She spent hours beading dresses with pearls, sequence or beads. She also sewed draperies and bedspreads. She crocheted doilies and table coverings. She cooked, made preserves from scratch and baked. Where did she ever learn all these skills! She personally did home improvement projects; painting in or outside buildings, laid brick, put up wallpaper, tiled walls or tables and did landscaping. She was the Sally-of ALL-Trades. She was so creative.

She created scrapbooks by hand during a time there were no computers or printers in the household. She was loved by friends. People would come to her to talk about their troubles or call just to talk about anything. She loved to travel. Besides going back to the Philippines several times, she has been to many places throughout the United States, Mexico, Europe, Canada, Caribbean and the Holy Land.

She loved to play Nintendo! especially Zelda. She really got into this game. I could not believe it! We played dominoes when the family got together. Family gatherings were always special, never enough time though. Loads of laughter. We got together mainly during the holidays or special occasions. She loved to play the nickel machines at Reno or Tahoe. Talk about a person with all the Luck. I guess it had a lot to do with attitude.

Dance! Dance! Dance! She loved to dance. Many weekends she would go out dancing with girlfriends dancing. Laughter! She loved to laugh. There was always laughter when around her. She was fun! Not a boring person at all.

Well, our parents divorced in 1962. She was married two more times after that. John Henry Upsher Atkinson was her 2nd husband for a short period. But, after the separation, John was still part of the family, always there frequently.…on special occasions or did things with or for her. This goes to show the type of person she was. She continued to maintain a strong friendship; even after her 3rd marriage to Weddie Cabreros. Both John (Jan 2003) and Weddie (Dec 1995), have passed now.

Sally moved on to her next life in 1992. She is buried at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma, Ca. Today her family resides in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Writings

Mom was an excellent writer. As stated in her autobiography she loved to write poems. Of her collection we only had access to three. Unfortunately, we never read prior writings.

ANG LALAKE

Mibati ka'g dakong garbo,
Nalukop mo ang kalibutan sa panugilon
Nga ikaw igmat ug hawod
Ug maayong laki
Tungod kay gikutay mo ang gidaghanon sa mga bagaye
Kansang kadungganan imong napusgay.

Gipasiatab mo ang imong pagkasulondon,
Nga ikaw angayang panaminan
Niadtong mga ulitawong pataypatay
Kinsa nahigugma uban sa putli'ng gugma
Ug wala maghambin sa pagtikas sa kabililhon
Ug kaputli sa usa ka babaye.

Matag hinigugma nimo (kay dili ka man matagbaw
Sa usa lamang ka hinigugma)
Dili mo gayud lung-an hangtud imong kapahimuslan
Ang iyang kahuyang
Bisan pa masud-ong nimo ang iyang gipabaha nga
daghang mga luha.

Matag lampus mo sa imong mahugaw'ng mga buhat
Mosinggit ka dayon sa imong kadaugan
Kay giisip mo mang kadaugan ang kadugmokan
Sa dungog sa uban,
Ug wala mo hunahunaa, wala mo palandonga,
Wala mo hinuktoki
Nga matag babaye larawan
Sa usa ka inahan – –
Nga ang dili mobuot buhaton sa uban ngadto sa
imong inahan,
Dili mo usab pagabuhaton ngadto sa laing babaye.

Dili ug wala ka
Maghunahuna, magpalandong, maghinuktok niini,
Kay sa matag higayon nga moawhag unta kanimo
ang paghanduraw
Sa imong binuhatan,
Ihalad mo hinoon aron pagbalay ug mga paagi'g bag-o
Aron lain ug bag-o nga mahuyang
Mahasulod na usab sa imong laang,
Ug mosinggit ka na usab sa imong kadaugan.

Gidapit mo ang kasilag,
Gihagit mo ang kusog sa luha
Sa babayeng imoong gilimbongan,
Ug bisan pa sa sinugdan
Ikaw mikatawa lamang sa mga kasakitan niya,
Moabut da ang takna kanus-a bati-on nimo
Nga libo ka piło ang gidak-on sa mga kasakitan
Nga ginaantus sa babayeng gikawatan mo sa dungog.

Unya, anha pa ikaw masayud
Nga sa larawang masuhoton sa imong inahan,
Kon sa matulisoko'ng tudlo sa usa mo ka igsoong babaye,
Ikaw diay usa ba mabangis nga mananap
Nga nagtakuban lamang sa ngalang tawo,
Nga ikaw maoy usa ka lampingasan, usa ka tawong boang,
Ug kanimo may gihay pa sa buhilaman sa nahauna
Nga makahatag ug pagtahud kaniya sa mga tawong but-an

Mabangis ka,
Lampingasan ka,
Sa hingpit nga kahulogan sa maong pulong!

So Far So Near

By Sally B. Famarin

You're so near, but yet so far,
You're so close, but couldn't touch you.
It hurts me so, to see you go,
But faith will have to separate us two.

In words I cannot really express,
The turmoil I felt within my heart.
Even though the tears are getting less,
My heart is so heavy we are far apart.

Oh, how it me hurts me so!
To think more and more of you,
Oh, if only you knew,
How much I love you so!

Dan and night you are the one,
My heart has been craving for,
But remember now that you are gone,
Our heartaches will be more and more.

The crucifixion I can hardly bear,
If by my suffering you will see the light,
Our feelings each day grows even stronger,
Our true love for each other sealed tight.

Darling, please do not le me go.
Someday, somehow, again we will meet.
Right here where our hearts will renew,
the love that flourish not long ago.

My love for you darling will always be there,
And your love sincere, even more stronger,
Then nothing in this world can interfere,
the chain of love that bind us together.

TORMENT OF LOVE

by Sally B. Famarin

If only you knew how much you meant to me,
Though I've shown yet words cannot express,
How I have always longed for thee,
Though deep inside I knew you never could care less.

Years have passed, the time I have been waiting,
Waiting for that Secret Love we have for each other,
You disappear without even saying,
Not knowing your Secret Love has always been in tears.

True love is something you will always cherish,
Deep inside you forever,
Though we have been acting childish,
I know deep in our hearts we will always be together.

Thoughts of you are for every single minute,
Not just now or something that I created,
Believe me, darling, that love will never fade,
Till death or even though my tears are all shed.

You have thought of me as much as I have of you,
Even though you are in her arms and me in his we know,
Deep in our hearts and thoughts it's us two,
Though fate may not our lives renew

Farewell my darling, now I'm sure,
If you have the love as much as I have for you,
Then nothing in this world we cannot endure
But suffer the "Torment of Love" that is in store.

FROM THE DESK OF

Commissioner Sally B. Famarin

A verse I would like to quote
for the Babiera family,
"When I must leave you for a little
while,
Please donot grieve & shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you thru the years;
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake & in my name
Live on & do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each working hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort & in cheer,
and I in turn will comfort you
and hold you near,
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you
in the sky.

Dedicated To

Forum philippines

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H-APPY ANIVERSARY, FORUM PHILIPPINES!
A-midst all the toils and struggles,
P-rominence is won and truth prevail;
P-inning up a medal to your staffers and all,
Y-our service to the community so great not small.

A-nd to your anniversary, though just first,
N-othing like it, as you can see,
N-ever a dull moment for that thirst,
I-n serving the readers with news to read;
V-iewing the needs of all the people,
E-ntering the realm of artists' dreams,
R-eaping acclaims for a year-long existence,
S-erving the cause of print journalism.
A-im high! keep Forum the best:
R-eadership, writers, and community interest–
Y-onder stands a newpaper, different from the rest.

F-easting on the fruits of their first anniversary,
O-ver the year of toils, let's all wish them,
R-eaffirm support, the best of wishes I'd say,
U-nveil what's there, and put in rhytmn,
M-arking this day with a bucketful of greetings.

P-aper, ink and pen the main tools to consider,
H-ail to the staff in putting minds together,
I-n order that this paper be the best forever
L-ight and truth must join together,
I-n serving the cause of a noble newspaper.
P-reparing the issues as time is to bear,
P-utting all the stories and writeups together,
I-s no easy task, as we know and are aware;
N-ow is the time to give them cheers,
E-njoy with them, in wishes and prayers,
S-inging from the bottom of our hearts, dear,

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY ON YOUR FIRST FRUITFUL YEAR!
By SALLY B. FAMARIN

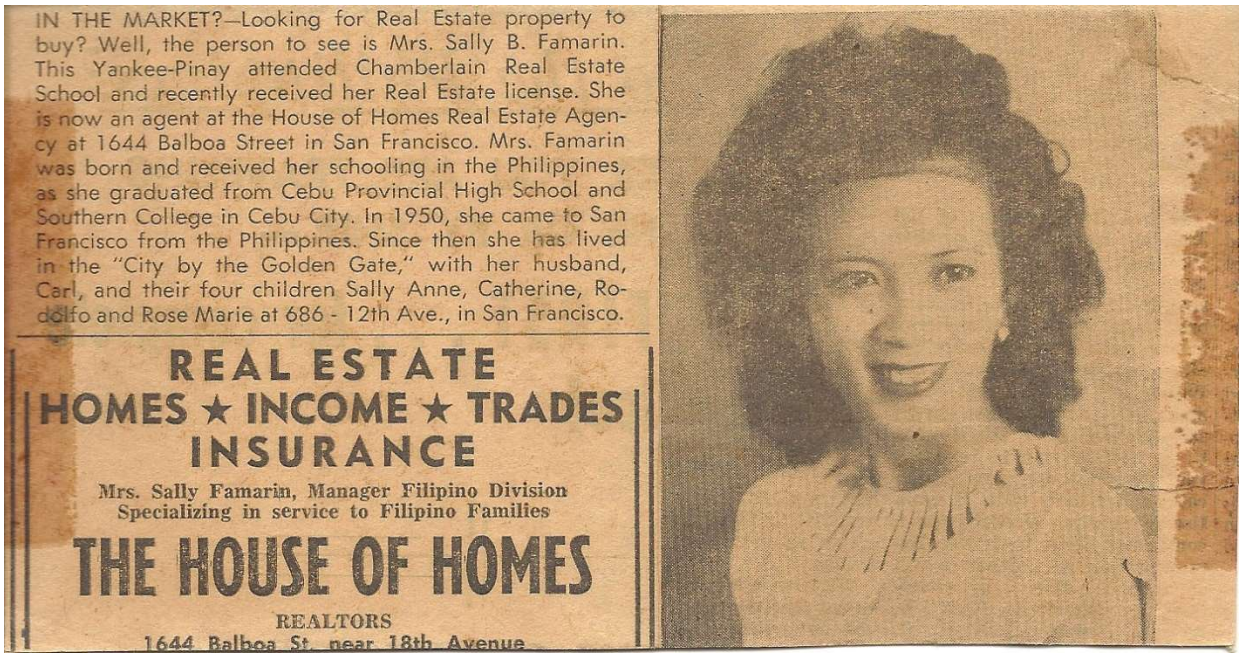
G r e e t i n g s

The Author

These English poems were written in San Francisco,Ca, USA

Career

Real Estate & Insurance Executive ~~ President-Owner of Far East America Travel (FEATI) ~~ Owner-Operator of Sally's Sunset Villa, Ambulatory Home for the Aged ~~ Committee Member for the Annual San Francisco Fair ~~ Served as Commissioner for the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board in San Francisco ~~ Member Filipino American Chamber of Commerce



IN THE MARKET?—Looking for Real Estate property to buy? Well, the person to see is Mrs. Sally B. Famarin. This Yankee-Pinay attended Chamberlain Real Estate School and recently received her Real Estate license. She is now an agent at the House of Homes Real Estate Agency at 1644 Balboa Street in San Francisco. Mrs. Famarin was born and received her schooling in the Philippines, as she graduated from Cebu Provincial High School and Southern College in Cebu City. In 1950, she came to San Francisco from the Philippines. Since then she has lived in the "City by the Golden Gate," with her husband, Carl, and their four children Sally Anne, Catherine, Rodolfo and Rose Marie at 686 - 12th Ave., in San Francisco.

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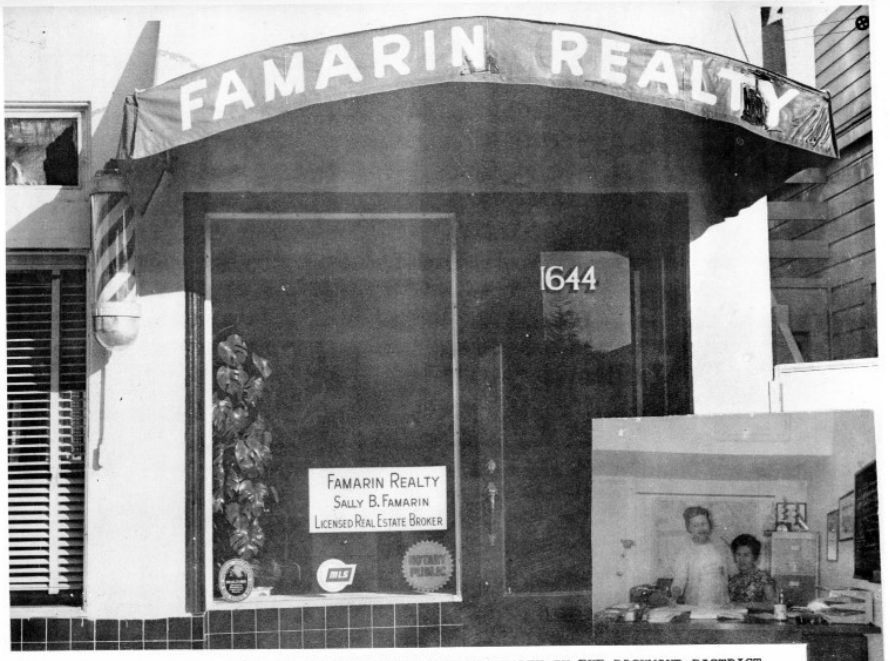
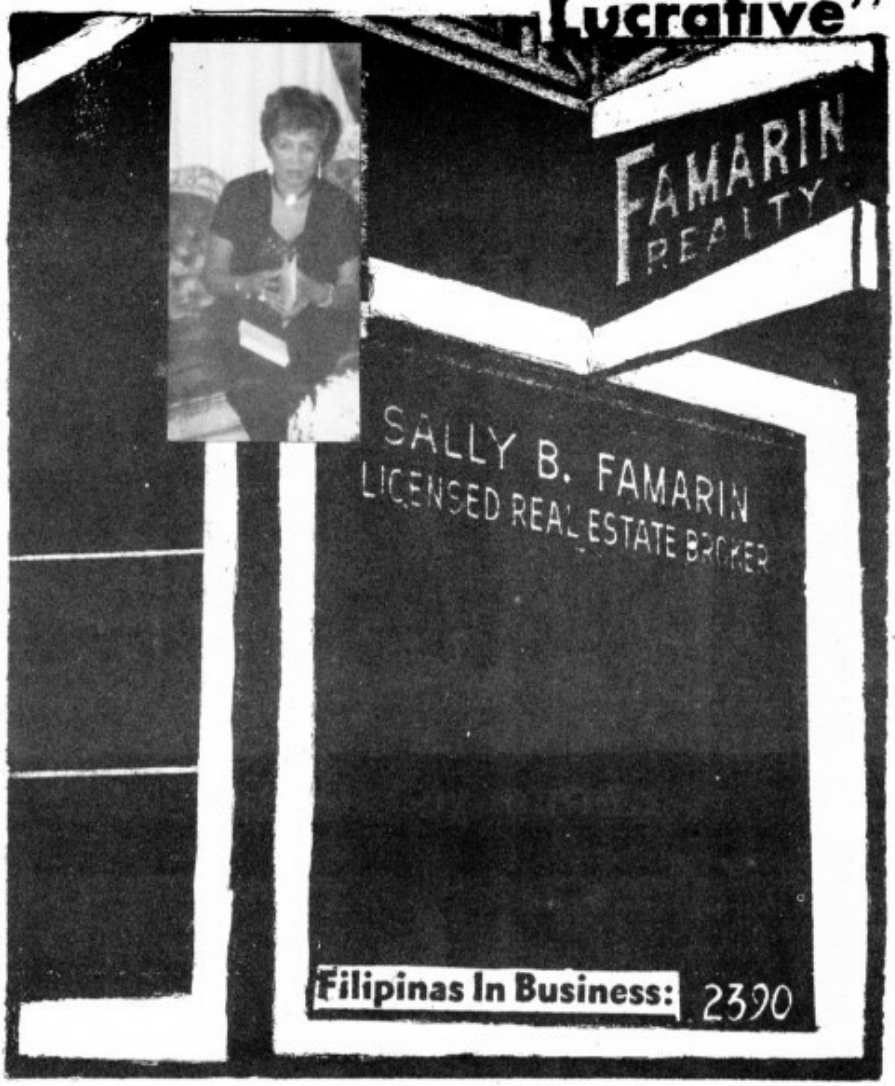


THE FIRST REAL ESTATE OFFICE OF FAMARIN REALTY IN THE RICHMOND DISTRICT.
SALLY B. FAMARIN CLOSING A REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION WITH ONE OF HER CLIENTS

Filipina Realtor: "Realty Investments Lucrative"

by ALBERTO V. ESTEVA



Famarin Realty Office at 2390-34th Avenue, San Francisco

"I've found that a woman is treated no differently than a man in the business world. Generally, everyone has been courteous and helpful, although it is extremely competitive," was the way Mrs. Sally B. Famarin described her four years experience in business.

Till 1960, she was a housewife, married to Carl Famarin, and mother of four growing children. But in 1960, with the prodding of Mrs. Herbert H. Meyer, Owner-Broker of House of Homes Real Estate Company, Mrs. Famarin entered the real estate business.

She explained that at that time her youngest child entered school, and therefore she was able to devote time to business, without penalizing her children.

After taking a six-weeks course in 1960 at the Chamberlain Real Estate School in San Francisco, she became a Sales Representative for the House of Homes Realtors; in 1961 she took the renewal examination, which she passed.

After taking another real estate course at Harlowe's Real Estate School, and working full-time for 2 years, she took and passed the one-day Broker's examination given by the Division of Real Estate of the State of California.

"The first two years are very difficult, especially in getting the Broker's License. In fact, there are many 12-hour working days," she commented with a smile. But in February of 1963, six months after she received her Broker's License, Mrs. Famarin opened up her Real Estate Office, and is still the only Filipina to do this.

Since May 15, 1964, Famarin Realty Company occupies a new and larger office at 2390 - 34th Avenue, corner of Taraval Street. The larger office has brought expansion with the addition of two Sales Representatives, Mr. Philip Douglas and Mrs. Lilia Reyes.

Investment in the real estate market at this time can be very profitable, for prices and values are constantly rising was her advice. "Also, investors must not forget that buying homes and buildings are not the only ways to invest in real estate. For example, the field of mortgage investment can be very lucrative.", she added

Mrs. Famarin belongs to the San Francisco Real Estate Board, California Real Estate Assoc., National Assoc. of Real Estate Boards, and Multiple Listing Service of San Francisco.

In spite of the grueling pace she sets in her work, she still manages to find time to spend with her children — Sally Anne (13), Catharine (12), Rodolfo (11), and Rose Marie (9)

She is the President of the Regular Veterans Assoc. Auxiliary Post No. 15, Senior Vice President of the Assoc. for the State of California, and a member of the National Chief of Staff of the National Regular Veterans Assoc. She is also the Secretary of Fil-American Society of California, and a member of the Filipino Women's Club, and the Caballeros de Dimas Alang.

Housewife, mother, businesswoman, and clubwoman, Mrs. Sally B. Famarin certainly mirrors the modern-day Filipina, who has taken a more active role in the development and growth of her community.

MR. & MRS. ALEJO BELL AS THEY RECIEVED THE KEYS FOR THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING THEY PRCHASED FROM FAMARIN REALTY WHEN THEY FIRST CAME TO THE UNITED STATES

SALESMEN AND WOMEN OF FAMARIN REALTY AND THEIR GUESTS DURING THE OPENING OF A LARGER OFFICE IN SAN FRANCISCO TO EXPAND MORE SERVICES FOR PUBLIC

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Famarin Realty, Inc. opens new offices in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, California — Famarin Realty, Inc., a licensed real estate brokerage, owned and managed by Mrs. Sally B. Famarin, opened recently its offices at 2390-34th Avenue in San Francisco.

Present during the inaugural rites were prominent leaders of the Filipino organizations in the Bay Area headed by Olympio S. Galon, chairman of the Council of United Filipino Organizations in Northern and Central California and Mrs. Ruth Galon. Also present were Geronimo Serafino, executive secretary of the council and prsident of the Cavite Association and the Filipino and American Society of California and Manuel Nery, past president of the Filipino Community of San Francisco.

Also gracing the occasion was the presence of American real estate brokers and associates of Mrs. Famarin in the business. There were representatives from some title companies in San Francisco and of the Multiple Listing Service.

Rudy Honrado, adviser of the Filipino Community of San Francisco was among the first to arrive at the opening ceremonies. Champagne flowed "like water" as Carl Famarin, husband of the manager who acted as the official host of the affair, made the treat "sky-is-the-limit" style.

Assisting the Famarins in entertaining the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Douglas and Vincent Lopez, assistant manager of the firm. Jose Brantigan, a close friend of the family and Mrs. Mary Calloway, a long-time associate of the hostess in social activities, were on hand to contribute their share of the entertaining to the festive gathering.

WELL-DESERVED CONGRATULATIONS—Mrs. Sally Famarin, general manager and co-owner of the Famarin Realty which recently inaugurated its new offices, is shown above being warmly congratulated by Olympio S. Galon, chairman of the Council of United Filipino Organizations in Northern and Central California. Looking on are Mrs. Ruth Galon, wife of the council chairman and Vincent Lopez, assistant manager of the Filipino-owned firm. New offices are located at 2390-34th Avenue in San Francisco.—*(Photo by Chronicle Staffer Manuel Nery)*

A COCKTAIL PARTY was held last Saturday, February 23 to mark the opening of the new offices of Famarin Realty, Inc. at 2390-34th Avenue in San Francisco. Mrs. Sally B. Famarin, a licensed real estate broker, manages the firm with Vincent Lopez, as assistant manager. In above photo taken at the new site may be seen, from left: Geronimo Serafino, James Pinnick, Vincent Lopez, Olympio S. Galon, Mrs. Ruth Galon, Joe Brantigan, Dorothy Storges, Herbet Myer, Sally B. Famarin, Mrs. Florecita Magat, Mrs. Herbert Myer (partly hidden), Ann Simon, Mrs. Enrica Zabala, Helen Larsen, Mrs. Philip Douglas, Rudy Sagario, Ben Agustin, Rudy Honrado, Pablo Magat, Hall Wiseman and Philip Douglas.—*(Photo by Chronicle Staffer Manuel Nery)*

WELL-WISHERS of the Famarins (couple seated) gather around to witness the opening of gifts received during the inaugural of the Famarin Realty, Inc., new offices in San Francisco. The champagne-cocktail party was attended by prominent Filipino community leaders and business associates of the Famarins who own and manage the firm.—*(Photo by Chronicle Staffer Manuel Nery)*

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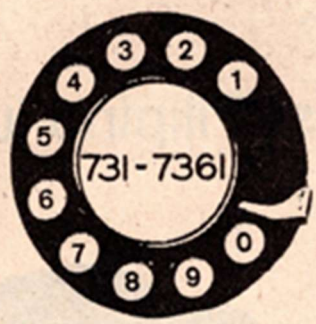

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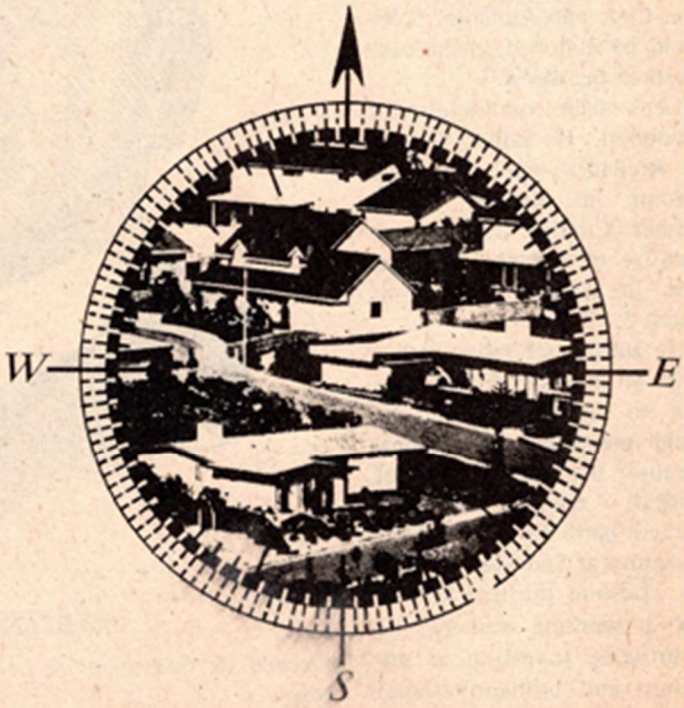

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- Member, Advisory Board, Child Health and Disability Prevention Program
- Authored and endorsed the International Hotel Landmark, the first Filipino landmark in the United States on the National Register of Cultural and Historical Places
- Candidate for San Francisco County Board of Supervisors in 1980
- Candidate for the Democratic Central Committee, Assembly District #19, June of 1984
- General Adviser, Filipino American Senior Citizens of San Francisco and the Bay Area
- Organized the National Filipino American Political Forum,1982
- Coordinator for the Filipino American Friends campaigning for:
  - Senator Milton Marks for the State Senate,
  - Peter Tamaras for San Francisco's Board of Supervisors
  - George Moscone's race for Mayor, of San Francisco
  - Filipinos for Bob Mendelsohn
  - Judge Ina Gyemant for municipal court judge
  - Supervisor Harry Britt
  - Many more

Presenting the award pin to Post President of the Regular Veterans Association in 1954 in San Francisco.

Regular Veterans TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

NATIONAL QUATERMASTER OF THE REGULAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY, ED MELVIN PRESENTED THE PRESIDENT'S GAVEL TO NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT, SALLY B. FAMARIN AND POST COMMANDER JOHN THORNTON OF POST # 15 DURING INSTALLATION RITES IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Sally B.Famarin, one of the committee members during the banquet and ball at the Sheraton Palace in honor of Senator Manuel Pelaez of the Philippines, held in San Francisco,Ca.

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TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

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SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN, A THREE TERM PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

Shown in the picture taken during the Women's State Democratic Club of California. Philippine-American evening at the Sheraton Palace in San Francisco in 1961. Attending were: Mrs. Mary Tabilog, Filipino Women's Club treasurer; Mrs. Fanny Santa Maria, outgoing FWC Pres. Mrs. Cosmedine Peralta, Consul Giron, Cecilia Dimaya, FWC Vice-Pres., Standing are: San Francisco's Sally B. Famarin, Mrs. Rose Bagood, Mrs. Charlotte Carberry, Women's State Democratic Club of California Sec., Mrs. Mary Blane, WSDCC, Treasurer; Mrs. Naty Velasco, FWC; Mrs. Mary Callaway, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Cecilia Ubungen, Pres. elect, FWC; Mrs. Betty Gachalian, Board member, FWC; Mrs. Margaret Krsak Koesen, WSDCC Pres. and Kamuel Kline.

Active member of Filipino Democratic Club of San Francisco, 1962.

Filipino-American Society officers in 1965 — Sally Famarin, Secretary.

The Manila Chronicle
Tuesday, November 2, 1965

Council finalizes 'Fiesta Filipina'

MAYOR SHELLEY TO OPEN FIESTA FILIPINA—The ever-responsive Mayor John F. Shelley of San Francisco will spark the week-long celebration of Fiesta Filipina when he officially declares it open in a ceremony on November 7. The Mayor who has consistently supported worthwhile projects of cultural minorities was all smile when a delegation from the Filipino-American Council of Northern California extended him the invitation. Posing with the Mayor are (from left) Major Fred Foz, chairman, Veterans' Day, Robert O. Pizarro, PRO; Sally Famarin, co-chairman, Filipino Film Festival, Bernardo Fabrao, Fiesta Filipina general chairman, and Jimmy Agcaoili of the Philippine Travel Information Office.

The Manila Chronicle Tuesday, November 9, 1965

F.A.C. ELECTIONS—The Filipino-American Council of Northern California held a cordial election-meeting at the Parkwood Restaurant in San Francisco Sunday, October 31. The election was so cordial that the chairman was elected by acclamation as in the case of the other officers who were elected unopposed. Shown above are the newly-elected officers pictured with prominent delegations from various communities in Northern and Central California. Seated, left to right, are: Ariston Armada, Iloilo Circle President, elected deputy chairman; Mrs. Evelyn Alba; Mrs. Reppie Bautista, San Jose Women's Club president-reelected recording secretary; Mrs. Ruth Galon, wife of the chairman; Olympio S. Galon, Bohol Circle president and re-elected chairman by acclamation; Geronimo Serafino, Filipino-American Society president and incumbent executive-secretary; Mrs. Sally Famarin; Gil Imata, San Jose Community president

and elected PRO; Mrs. Mapanao, East Bay Women's Club president. Standing, same order, are: Consul Garcia; Pat Amanse, customs attache; Mrs. Margaret Koesen; Don Basco of Pittsburg; Demetrio Jayme of San Francisco; Ramon Silva of San Francisco; Jess Esteva (partly hidden); Atty. San Felipe, adviser; Manuel Antarang, Isleton Community President —elected Treasurer; Ted Maroket of Hinunangan Association; Mary Callaway of San Francisco; Consul Gerdenio Manuel; Mrs. Mary Serafino, wife of the Executive-Secretary; Jose Magno of Aklan; Mel Diokno of Pittsburg, adviser; Jose Velete of Iloilo Circle; Mrs. Laureano of Cavite Association; Mrs. Ray Silva; Emil Bautista of San Jose; Jose Alba, president of the Community Stockton, adviser; Max Peralta of San Jose; and A. A. Esclamado, adviser.—(Photo by Manuel Nery.)

Fiesta Filipina in San Francisco (1966) with Business executive.

APRIL 9, 1966
HONORING THE HEROES OF
BATAAN & CORREGIDOR

SIGNING OF BATAAN DAY PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR JOHN F. SHELLEY
From left to right . . . . . Sally B. Famarin; Minister Renato Urquiola, Consul General RP; Jim Holder; Ben Agustin and Joseph Brantigan.

"Filipinos for City Supervisor Jack Morrison" team in 1966.

Holding forth as General Chairman of the US Bataan Day celebration in 1967.

General Chairman of the affair in 1967, held at Sheraton Palace in San Francisco.

Sally presented awards in 1967 to Bataan survivors.

25th Anniversary Parade during the fall of Bataan and Corregidor in Pittsburgh, California.

CHAIRMAN OF THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE FALL OF BATAAN AND CORREGIDOR IN SAN FRANCISCO, SALLY RECEIVED AN OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD FROM CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, MR KNOX MELLON, DURING THE CELEBRATION IN SAN FRANCISCO, CA. USA. PLAQUE READS: "FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE SHE HAS RENDERED FOR THE STRENGTH, PRESTIGE, IDEALS AND AIMS OF THE ASSOCIATION."

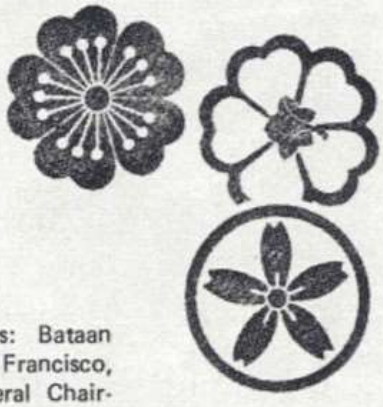

Photo from left shows: Bataan Day Queen, Miss Rose Francisco, Sally B. Famarin, General Chairman, Silver Anniversary, Fall of Bataan & Corregidor and Miss Alice Crisen Miss Corregidor during the celebration in San Francisco, California April 9, 1967.

Sally Famarin, a special guest during the Health conference with delegates from different parts of the State and Senator Milton Marks.

Bataan Day Proclamation presented by Mayor Joseph Shelley of San Francisco. Sally Famarin, chairperson.

Filipino American Society Secretary Famarin in 1967 at the Chancery office with Archbishop McGucken of San Francisco.

"C O P Y"
THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 9, 1967

I extend my warmest personal wishes to the American Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor on your 25th Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Philippines.

As you join your Filipino comrades, we recall that fateful day in 1942 and the tragic consequences to those who bore the flag of freedom.

We remember the surrender, but we also remember our triumphant return to that bastion of courage. We remember your liberation and our prayers of thanksgiving.

This is a time for reflection, but it is also a time for rededication to the ideals for which you fought. The victory achieved by your sacrifice will forever stand as a monument to the cause of freedom for all mankind.

Lyndon B. Johnson

Ladies and Knights of Rizal Mardi-Gras-1968 – Sally a committee member.

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL
SAN FRANCISCO

August 8, 1968

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

Mr. Ariston Armada, Overall Coordinator of the 'Filipino Pioneers' Day" celebration informed me the other day that you accepted the chairmanship of the Committee on Prizes and Awards.

Knowing your capability, resourcefulness and good standing in our community, our Overall Coordinator could not have made a better choice.

My hearty congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

S.T. SABALONES
Consul General

Presenting awards to the Filipino Pioneers of America in 1969 in Oakland, California at the picnic ground.

1st Picnic, Filipino Pioneers of America, Sally B. Famarin, prizes and rewards chairman.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN OF PRIZES AND AWARDS OF THE FIRST FILIPINO PIONEER DAY PICNIC, SALLY, CENTER, PAUSES WITH CONSUL GENERAL SABALONES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE HELD IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, ATTENDED BY PIONEERS FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF STATE.

Cebu Association of California held its induction of officers together with the Fil-Am Council at the Jack Tar Hotel in 1969. With speaker of the House of Representatives, Willie Brown of California.

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(President, Cebu Association)

MIKE MAGDALUYO
PRO
(President, Philippine-American Cultural Society)

GLORIA ABRIAM
(President, Pearl of the Orient Club)

(Picture of another officer, ED LAUREANO, Council assistant treasurer and president of Cavite Association, does not appear in panel above)

Event on March 9 At Jack Tar Hotel

SAN FRANCISCO — The first set of regular officers of the newly-formed San Francisco Chapter of the Filipino-American Council will be formally installed at a dinner and ball on Sunday, March 9.

To be jointly installed during the same ceremonies will be the officers of several Filipino-American associations which are affiliated with the Council and whose terms of office are identical

The first president of the San Francisco Chapter who will lead the oath-taking is Vic Hermoso, who is concurrently the president of the Nueva Viscaya Association of San Francisco. Other Council officers who will be installed with Hermoso are:

Mrs. Nicerita Revelo, as ececutive secretary — representing the Ladies and Knights of Rizal;

Mrs. Helen Bautista, as recording secretary — representing the Mutya Ng Silangan;

Dr. Amancio Ergina, as treasurer — representing the Bicol Circle of California;

Ed Laureano, as assistant treasurer — representing the Cavite Association of San Francisco;

Mrs. Sally Famarin, as auditor — representing the Cebu Association; and,

Mike Magdaluyo as public relations director — representing the Philippine-American Cultural Society.

According to Hermoso, the following associations have already agreed to join in the installation rites: Cebu Association, Ladies and Knights of Rizal, Mutya Ng Silangan, Pearl of the Orient Club and the Philippine-American Cultural Society. At press time, Hermoso is making personal representations with other associations whose officers may be able to participate in the joint rites.

"The purpose of the joint installation is to minimize the economic burden being imposed upon the Filipino-American population in the Bay Area caused by the numerous individual installation banquets and balls," Hermoso intimated. However, Hermoso emphasized that participation in the joint rites is voluntary.

"Besides, it is high time

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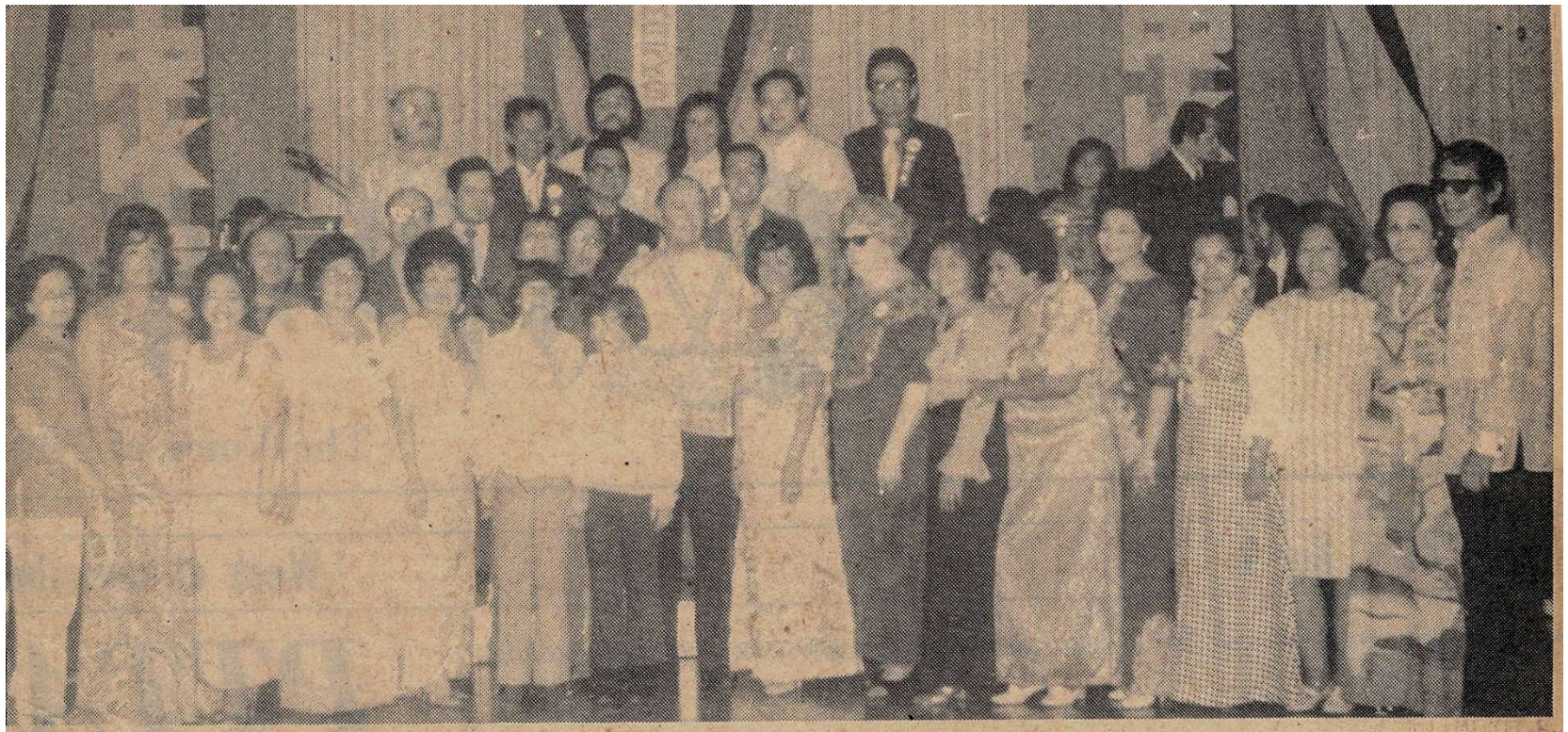

Fil-Am group supported Marks

Members of the executive committee of the Filipino-American Friends for Milton Marks, a group that helped in the campaign for the reelection of the state senator, are shown here with Senator Marks (center, in Barong Tagalog) and his family. The group worked hard and helped raise campaign funds for the senator's reelection. The group presented the California legislator with a check during the victory celebration at his headquarters on election night. Among those in the picture are Sally B. Famarin and Barbara Puyat, coordinators; and executive committee members (in alphabetical order) Oscar Apostol, Polly Arzaga,nQuirino Arzaga,,John H. Atkinson, Connie Blanco, Pete Blanco, Ambrosio D. Bolo, Lydia Cadona, Ruben Cadorna, Bob Comstock, Mar Ganotise, Eddie Gutierrez, Daisie Harrison, Emile Heredia, Margaret Koesen, Joey Macapinlac, Ramon Onrubia, Naty Purissima, Johnny Rojo, Julita Rose, Ann Sabiniano, Rose Standal and Bernardita Yap.

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Filipino-Americans for Alioto

A nucleus of the Filipino-Americans for Alioto Committee in San Francisco attended a $100-a-plate dinner at the Grand Ballroom of the Fairmont Hotel on November 1. At the dinner attended by a capacity crowd, Mayor Joseph L. Alioto sounded his battlecry for capturing the Governorship of Californa next year. The Mayor, who formally announced his candidacy for Governor, is being supported by the leadership of Filipino-American organizations in the City. Part of the Filipino-American delegation at the banquet is shown in photo above. They are, seated, left to right: Dr. Sofia Prudenciado, Mrs. Mary Motak, Mrs. Mildred Revelo, Mrs. Mary Ergina, and a Korean guest. Standing, same order: A. A. Esclamado, Anselmo Revelo, Emile Heredia, Commissioner Amancio Ergina, Amor Paraso, Dr. Rodolfo S. Duterte, Alfred Motak, Mrs. Martha Duterte, Mrs. Sally Famarin, Mrs. Agaton, Dr. Esteban Sadang, Eugene Reyes and a Korean guest. Prominent among those who attended but not in the picture were Dr. Leonilo Malabed and Dr. Ernesto Hilario. (Photo by GATON)

At Boy Scouts golden jubilee celebration

A dinner and ball commemorating the golden jubilee of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines was held recently at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco under the sponsorship of the BSP finance committee, U.S. West Coast Regional Office. Highlight of the evening was the presentation of special awards to state and city officials and civic leaders. Pictures above taken at the affair shows the guests and sponsors. Left photo, from left, are Joanie Jane Harrison (Miss Filipino-American Friendship queen), Mrs. Daisy Harrison, Sally B. Famarin (realtor and general chairman of the affair), Assistant Secretary of the Navy John Johnson, who was guest speaker. Center photo, from left: Rose G. Standal (president of Deer Creek Ranch); Col. Eufracio Quiambao, BSP vice president and general chairman of grounds and building committee; former Zambales Governor Manuel Barretto, BSP vice president and chairman of the National Power Corporation, presenting a gold medal and certificate of award to Mayor Joseph L. Alioto on behalf of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines for helping the flood victims in the Philippines; and Scout Officer Ben Cordero Lim. Photo at right, same order: Eddie Gutierrez, Mr. and Mrs. Quirino Arzaga (Mrs. Arzaga is president of the Pearl of the Orient Club), Col. Vic Novales and Col. Eugracio Quiambao of BSP, Mr. and Mrs. Artemio Madrid, Sally B. Famarin, Gov. Manuel Barretto and Mayor Atilano Ortega of BSP. At the same affair, California State Senator Milton Marks presented a resolution to the to the BSP. Some federal, state and city officials and civic leaders were presened BSP neckerchiefs and were sworn in by Gov. Barretto as patron members of the BSP. Among them were Assistant Secretary of the Navy John Johnson, Senator Marks, San Francisco Supervisor Peter Tamaras, Housing Authority Commissioner Amancio Ergina, Mike Magdaluyo, John Harrison, Commissioner Adolfo Majewsky and Quirino Arzaga. Gov. Reagan, who received a gold medal and certificate of honor award, was represented by Don Mulford, chief executive of protocol. Julia Peters de Jesus was the finance co-chairman. (Photos by GATON)

Spearheading Filipino for Peter Tamaras, a victory party was slated.

Mrs. Famarin campaigned heavily for Peter Tamaras as City Supervisor, helping him win the election by a big vote.

8 Philippine News WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1–7, 1973

The Filipino-American Friends of Supervisor Peter Tamaras recently sponsored "An Evening with the Tamaras" at the International Center in San Francisco. Left picture shows Ladita Sadang, Effie Tamaras, Cecilia Dimaya, Lena Corpus, Supervisor Peter Tamaras, Dolly Finuliar, Steve Sadang. Middle photo shows Miss Helen Arias doing a piano rendition as Supervisor and Mrs. Peter Tamaras with Realtor Sally B. Famarin and Mrs. Frances Gerardo listening on. Photo at right shows Mrs. Effie Tamaras (4th from right in Filipina attire) with some officers and members of the executive committee of the sponsoring group. In the picture are Daisie Harrison, Sally B. Famarin, Rose Branson, Cecilia Dimaya and Rose G. Standal.

The Filipino American Friend

Victory Banquet and Ball Honoring

The Filipino American Friends of Supervisor Peter Tamaras is an effective Political Force which played a most important role in the successful re-election of their candidate.

This group spearheaded by Realtor Sally B. Famarin is unique in that they are the first Filipino Political group to open an independent headquarters in support of any candidate in the history of San Francisco.

For the many goals they have attained through their effective diligent efforts, their loyalty, friendship and impact on the entire Filipino Ethnic Community; I humbly express my most heartfelt gratitude to all the members of the Filipino American Friends Committee.

I am deeply indebted to them for their cooperation and unity for which it was my pledge to exert remedies and all efforts to see that the Filipino people will be adequately represented in the City government and that San Francisco will be a better place in which to live and work for all people.

Cordially,

Peter Tamaras

Supervisor, City and County of San Francisco

Special Message

To the Officers and Members of the Filipino American Friends

From the innermost part of my heart is the outcry of my deepest thank you. Thank you for the hard work, struggle and patience, through your sincerity we have achieved the margin of Victory.

Sincerely,

Sally B. Famarin

SALLY B. FAMARIN, GENERAL CHAIRMAN

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 14, 1973

Mrs. Sally Famarin
1573 - 19th Avenue
San Francisco, California 94122

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

The members of the Board of Directors of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District asked me to extend to you their deepest sympathy upon the passing of your daughter.

You will be interested to know that the Board of Directors, by formal motion introduced by Director Peter Tamaras, adjourned its meeting on December 14. 1973, in her memory.

We want you to know, while we cannot truly share the depth of your sorrow, we do understand the great heartache that is yours.

Sincerely,

Peter D. Clainos

Peter D. Clainos
Secretary of the District

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December 20, 1973

Mrs. Sally Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

This is to inform you that, upon motion made by Supervisor Peter Tamaras, the Board of Supervisors adjourned its regular meeting of December 17, 1973, out of respect to the memory of the late Rose Marie Famarin.

The Supervisors realize that mere words can mean so little to you at a time such as this, but they do want you and the members of your family to know of their deep sympathy and heartfelt condolence.

Sincerely,

ROBERT J. DOLAN
Clerk of the Board

Saturday, January 4, 1975 MORNING TIMES

Cebuana included in Who's Who edition

A Cebuano who left the Philippines for the United States in search for greener pastures more than 20 years ago has won the distinction of being included in this year's issues of two prestigious US publications --the "Who's Who in California" and the "Who's Who of American Women."

She is Miss Sally Basiga Famarin of Mandaue City, who is now here in Cebu in a vacation to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends and savor once again the spirit of traditional Filipino Christmas — and who expects to leave the country of her birth again early next year after the Santo Niño fiesta of Cebu City.

The Santo Niño, by the way, is also the patron saint of the Cebu Association in San Francisco, California, which Miss Famarin founded and of which she is the president emeritus. The group celebrates its fiesta in honor of Santo Niño also during the month of January.

Active in local and state politics and in social and civic affairs in California, Miss Famarin also has won commendation from the state legislature which, through its respective rules committees, passed resolutions of commendation for her.

The assembly rules committee of the house of the California state legislature cited Miss Famarin for her "outstanding record of diligent and devoted community service" while the senate rules committee cited her for "exemplary leadership of the Filipino-American community and distinguished professional accomplishments."

Miss Famarin, who operates her own real estate firm in the US known as United Homes, called on Gov. Rama recently to extend to the Cebuanos, through the governor, her greetings of the season.

She told the governor that she was greatly impressed by Cebu's progress. She said that the Mandaue and Cebu City that she left sometime in 1950 were far different from the Mandaue and the Cebu City that she has found on her return. Miss Famarin arrived in Manila with about 200 Balikbayans from the US on a chartered Pan-Am plane last Saturday and arrived home in Cebu the following day.

CLUB/SCHOOL COMMUNITY DOINGS

BALIKBAYAN AWARDEE

Mrs. Sally Basiga Famarin, prominent Filipino businesswoman in San Francisco, California and who is a native of

Mandaue city, has been chosen as one of the awardees for the coming 4th Centennary Celebration of the Province of Cebu.

She arrived here recently as a "balikbayan" and will remain here until after the 4th Centenrary Celebration of the Province of Cebu.

An alumna of the former Southern College (now the University of Southern Philippines) Mrs. Famarin has been very active in community activities which calls for unsolicited public involvement.

She is known not only in San Francisco social circles but also in California's the "real estate" business.

In politics, Mrs. Famarin is a recognized leader and has helped many candidates for the majoralty of San Francisco, California.

Presently she is the campaign strategist of Sen. George Mascone who is a candidate for mayor of San Francisco.

The City of Mandaue and Province of Cebu are proud to have exceptionally talented Filipinos like Mrs. Sally Basiga

FIRST FEISTA TICKET FOR MAYOR SHELLEY — San Francisco's number 1 citizen, Mayor John F. Shelley, proved showing once again his abiding interest in Filipino-American affairs, purchases the first ticket for the week-long Fiesta Filipina scheduled in San Francisco November 7—14. Presenting the ticket is Sally Famarin. The Fiesta Filipina is a pet cultural project of the Filipino-American Council of Northern California.

1974 FIL-AM FRIENDSHIP WEEK QUEEN

AMY MAMARIL, 1974 Filipino-American Friendship Queen, is shown with her court, other beauty candidates and officials of the 1974 Filipino-American Friendship Week celebration last June 21 during the Beauty-Talent Pageant and Coronation held at the Imperial Ballroom of the San Francisco Hilton. Shown with Queen Amy are from left: (front row) Bernardita N.Yap, member of the advertising committee; Rosita Arcol, celebration coordinator for the East Bay; beauty contestants Bernadette Bautista, Precy Ludovico, Gigi Mabasa, third runner-up; Grace Alcantara, first runner-up; Queen Amy Mamaril, Joanie Jane Harrison, last year's Queen; Desiree Lozada, second runner-up; Maruja Medalle, fourth runner-up; Helen Arias and Olivia Cardona; Polly B. Arzaga, general executive chairman of this year's Fil-Am Friendship celebration; Rose Standal and Sally B. Famarin, general co-chairman of the Friendship Week celebration and chairman of the Beauty-Talent Pageant, respectively. In back row are: Gibson Alvaro, vice president of the Fil-Am Council of San Francisco, sponsor of the celebration; Cris D. Kabasares, press coordinator; Dr. Amancio Ergina, president of the Fil-Am Council; Mike Magdaluyo, chairman of the cultural affairs committee; and Commissioner Art Amada of the Commission on Aging.

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January 24, 1975

Mrs. Sally Famarin
2201 - 28th Avenue
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Dear Sally:

It would be a great privilege to have you, as one of San Francisco's community leaders, accept membership on a committee being organized to plan an evening honoring Archbishop Joseph T. McGucken.

This event will be held on Thursday, March 6th, in the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco. His Excellency will, of course, be present. Tickets are $125 per person and all contributions are tax deductible.

While paying special tribute to Archbishop McGucken, the dinner will benefit the Youth Center which bears his name and is close to his heart. Probably the largest center of its kind in the United States, the Archbishop McGucken Youth Center provides positive growth opportunities for over 10,000 San Francisco Bay Area young people on a year around basis.

We will be honored to have you serve as a member of the committee and hasten to assure you that your role in the event will require only a minimum amount of time and no major responsibility on your part. We are certain that your personal involvement will both ensure the success of the evening and prove a most rewarding experience for you.

Please return the enclosed card and we hope you will make every effort to attend the committee meeting to be held on Thursday, February 6th, at 4:30 PM in the Fountain Room of the Fairmont Hotel. We are inviting the Archbishop to drop by and join in our discussions. It is our hope that we will have just this one meeting and therefore we would greatly appreciate your attendance.

With kind personal regards, we are

Cordially,

Edward J. Daly — Arch Monson, Jr. — Benjamin H. Swig

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"The Community Paper"

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A. October 15, 1975

Balikbayan Honored

Ms. Sally Basiga Famarin, a prominent businesswoman in San Francisco, was recently honored by her home city of Mandaue, Philippines, and her former classmates during a literary-musical reunion program. She was visiting after more than 25 years of absence. She received from Mandaue City Vice Mayor Alfredo Ouano the "most successful woman award" of Class 1938 of Mandaue Elementary School. Ms. Famarin recently won the distinction of being included in "Who's Who of American Women" and "Who's Who of the Golden State." She is the founder and president emeritus of the Cebu Association of California and owns and manages the United Homes Realty. She is a member of the International Platform Association, and she will be featured in Volume XIII of 1976-77 Edition of Dictionary of International Biography, a biographical record of contemporary achievements, Cambridge, England. Ms. Famarin will also be featured in 107 leading newspapers and magazines in North America, Europe, Australia, Mid-East, Africa, and other parts of the world.

Mabuhay Republic

"The Community Paper"

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A. January 15,

Chances Are Fifty-Fifty for Filipino To Be Appointed on Bd of Supervisors

By Pedro Politico

If there is an opening on the Board of Supervisors the chances are fifty-fifty that Mayor George Moscone will appoint a Filipino to that position.

During the campaign, Moscone promised at a rally that at the first opening he would appoint either a member of the Chinese or Filipino community.

That immediately raises speculation as to who may be the Filipino choice.

The immediate favorites would be those who were leaders in the Moscone campaign, like Zoilo Inacay and Sally Famarin, co-chairmen of the Filipino committee, and Sid Valledor and Dick Cerbatos, who were on the steering committee of the campaign. Two more activists to be considered would be Vic Hermoso and Necerita Revelo.

Famarin and Valledor were named to the Moscone Advisory Committee, which probably makes them favorites. Famarin was at one time a fan of State Senator Milton Marks and was not as busy in the Moscone campaign as were the others.

Valledor has always been active in politics, with a penchant for stirring up things. Leaving a teaching job, he went to join the farm workers to learn first hand of their problems.

Valledor returned to head Project Hanapin, a Filipino study project that faded away in controversy and ended in mid-air without a completed report.

It was a surprise that Inacay was not named to Moscone's advisory committee, but perhaps not, since it is understood that he is satisfied to be behind the scenes. Zoilo is a quiet person and may be expected to stay in back of the throne and keep

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FILIPINO REPORTER

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Valledor, Famarin tapped

Sid Valledor and Sally Famarin have been named members of the 48-member committee of San Franciscans which will solicit, receive, review and recommend candidates for appointment to commissions under the mayor, it was learned from a listing of members made public the other day.

The announcement on the formation and membership of the committee was made by Mayor-elect George R. Moscone.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the office of the mayor-elect has sent out over a hundred letters to various incumbent officials asking them to resign. The move has been made in fulfilment of a campaign promise by Moscone that he would ask these officials to resign.

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which have definite terms of office, and to which outgoing Mayor Joseph Alioto made last-minute appointments.

Meanwhile, Moscone has asked all San Franciscans, and all organizations in the City interested in participating in the selection of commissioners, to forward to the Morrison Committee their recommendations for commission appointments.

"During the campaign," Moscone said, "I pledged to go to the neighborhoods of San Francisco and seek their advice as to which persons enjoy their trust and confidence for the important appointive positions which so directly affect all of our lives. I am today asking all organizations, including neighborhood groups, ethnic groups, labor, business and any others to convene their memberships for the purpose of submitting to the Morrison Committee their recommendations for appointments.

"Further," Moscone said, "I am asking any individual, who so desires, to submit in writing his or her recommendations to the committee for consideration. No one in San Francisco shall be precluded from consideration for service in this administration."

Morrison said that the Committee will send questionaires to all potential nominees for appointment and that all recommendations should be forwarded to him at the Moscone office at 54 Mint street.

"We have attempted to select members for this Committee in such a way as to represent the broadest possible cross-section of San Francisco," Morrison said. "There are names which many will recognize for their past roles in civic affairs and there are many names which people will not recognize because they represent the under-represented in the City."

" BALIKBAYAN 1975
MANILA CITY
PHILIPPINES

Famarin appointed to Landmarks commission

Sally Famarin was recently appointed as a member of the Landmarks Preservation Commission.

The Commission deals with the preservation of historical buildings and other structures in San Francisco which might be of historical significance to the city.

Sally Famarin

The Commission also works closely with the City Planning Commission in reviewing historical sites threatened by demolition.

Ms. Famarin is a prominent real estate executive and the owner and operator of Famarin Realty, now called United Homes Realty.

A native of Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines, Ms. Famarin came to the United States in 1950. When Famarin Realty was opened in 1963, she became the first Filipino realtor.

Ms. Famarin is politically and socially active in the community. She has been involved in supporting various political campaigns.

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New appointees for old

Mayor Moscone today named seven persons to the Commission on the Aging and the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board and reappointed six others to new terms on these two city agencies.

The newcomers on the aging commission are Graciela Cashion of Self Help for the Aging, Dr. Elliott Feigenbaum, a psychiatrist; and Maurice Lipian, a financial management specialist.

Reappointed incumbents Rev. Edward L. Peet and William McCabe.

New landmark guardians are Sally B. Famarin, a real estate broker, Steward Morton of the Foundation for San Francisco's Architectural Heritage, Jean Kortum, historian and environmentalist and Margaret E. Warnecke.

Miss Warnecke is the daughter of famed architect John Carl Warnecke. She once publicly criticized her father for agreeing to design a structure for Nieman Marcus intended to replace the City of Paris Building.

Reappointed landmark board members are G. Bland Platt, Betty de Losada, James T. Ream and Dr. Charles Shumate.

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Filipinos appointed to gov't

Fed directorship a first

Filipino progress in more meaningful involvement in U.S. government operations was once again highlighted last week with the appointment of three more Filipinos to positions of consequence in local and national government affairs.

Most important and significant of the appointments was that of William M. Paz of Hawaii who was named Director of Civilian Manpower Management of the U.S. Navy. Paz, who will be based at the Navy Office headquarters in Washington D.C., is the first Filipino to earn the rank of director in the U.S. government hierarchy. His appointment was announced as a front page story in "Trade Talk", an official publication of the U.S. Navy.

Also appointed to significant positions were Dr. Romeo. Abella, named a Commissioner on Health by Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, and Sally Famarin as a commissioner for landmarks in San Francisco Mayor Moscone's cabinet.

New appointments hailed

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The appointment of Paz was announced recently by Joseph T. McCullen, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs).

Paz was confirmed by the Civil Service Commission on February 6, 1976 and assumed his new duties on February 17, 1976. He succeeds Lloyd W. Grable, who transferred to the Energy Research and Development Administration on August 24, 1975.

A 1951 graduate of the University of Hawaii with a major in public administration, Paz worked in public service and private industry before entering the Federal service.

He is married to the former Anita Chang of Honolulu. The Paz's have four children and are living in Kailua, Oahu. Bill's avocations are varied and include bow and arrow hunting, innovative cookery, Italian grand opera, and karate.

In Los Angeles, Dr. Abella replaces Dr. Jenny batongmalaque, another Filipino medical practitioner, whose term expired this year. Although more Filipinos have been moving up the steps of city halls and state capitols, Dr. Abella is one of the pioneers among Filipinos in America who is considered as better qualified for the post of commissioner. Dr. Abella recently explained the nature of his job before members of the United Filipino-American Assembly.

San Francisco's Sally Famarin was a key coordinator of the Moscone campaign last year. Famarin is a successful real estate broker in the Bay Area.

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A Filipina has been ap-inted to serve as one of : commissioners on the ndmarks Preservation lvisory Board by Mayor orge Moscone.

Ms. Sally B. Famarin, among four new appoin-s which include Jean Kortum, Stewart Mor- and Margaret Ester-

Famarin

ling Warnecke.

She will serve in the board's committee that involves housing and redevelopment.

The Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board is part of the city planning process and is under the Department of City Planning as well as the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

It covers parks, buildings, sections earmarked for developments as well as historical and cultural landmarks.

Ms. Famarin brings to the office some 16 years of experience as a real estate broker.

With her latest appointment, Ms. Famarin becomes the first Filipino to

Famarin

hold three important positions in the city and county of San Francisco. She is also serving on the child health and disability prevention program, which primarily deals with children entering into first grade, aside from being an active member of Mayor Moscone's screening committee.

Ms. Famarin, who came to the United States in 1950, has twice been awarded a certificate of honor by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

In August, 1973, she was cited for being the first Filipino Woman Realtor and for her involvement in the civic and political movement in San Francisco.

Three years later on April 4, she was awarded for being the founder and president emeritus of the Cebu Association of California Inc. and also for her leadership in the Filipino community.

A resolution by the California State Legislature cited her for exemplary leadership of the Filipino community in San Francisco, distinguished professional achievements and outstanding record of community service in 1975.

Ms. Famarin, who's featured in "Who's Who Among Filipino Americans" in 1971 and "Who's Who in the Golden State" in 1974, has also been commended by her "kababayan" in the Philippines.

She was given the Most Successful Woman Award of Class 1938 in Mandaue. She also holds the distinction of being the only awardee from the U.S. during the 4th centenary celebration of Cebu. She was cited for her "outstanding leadership in the Filipino Community in a foreign country."

At present, Ms. Famarin owns and manages the United Homes Realty and is owner-operator of Sally's Sunset Villa, a home for the aged.

MENDELSOHN GETS ASS'N SUPPORT

Supervisor Bob Mendelsohn, a strong Democratic candidate for a State Senatorial seat this coming November against incumbent Republican Milton Marks, passes with different leaders in the Filipino community during the costume ball held recently. Special guests at the evening affair were Mendelsohn and former Philippine Senator John Osmena who swore in new members of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. in Cebuano dialect. Photo above shows, from left to right: Ed Laureano, advisor, General Trias Club; Siem Laureano, Lady of Rizal 1976-77; Josie Bongcayao, Nenita Stump; Purita Valencia, Mary Schaba, Libby Rheiman, Dolores Santos, Tessie Reyes, Rose Branson, matron of Marina Dizon Lodge No. 81 and executive vice president of Cebu Association Luz Adanza, Susie Antonio, Lucy Tolentino and Jenny Santiago. Middle row: A. Boncayao, Bernard Licayan, Supervisor Mendelsohn; Cesar Santos, former Sen. Osmena, Rudy Reyes, Rosalind Branson and Buddy Quintana. Back row: A. Valencia, Orlando Lyle, Ben holganza, Commissioner Sally Famarin, chairperson for Filipinos for Bob Mendelsohn; Tessie Valledor, Sid Valledor, Sr., president of UFAFRA; Joe Panaganan, Johnny Rojo and other members of the band. (Photo by GATON)

Prominent community leaders grace benefit dance

The officers and members of the Cebu Association of California Incorporated and the Legionarios del Trabajo ıerica pose with Supervisor Bob Mendelsohn and Miss Donna Blanc. uring the benefit dance held in the latter's honor. Donna is vying for the Beauty Queen of the Legionarios del Trabajo of America. Bob Mendelsohn won in the Democratic primary elections and will run against incumbent Republican Milton Marks this coming November. Chairperson, Filipinos for Bob Mendelsohn is Commissioner Sally B. Famarin.

Sally has been a member of the Mayor's Committee to celebrate the birthday of San Francisco since 1976.

April, 1977

MABUHAY REPUBLIC

Int'l. Hotel Listed As Landmark

The embattled International Hotel in San Francisco will be listed on the National Register of Cultural and Historical sites as a cultural landmark for Filipinos.

This listing is the result of the approval by the State Historical Resources Commission in Sacramento of the recommendation of the San Francisco Landmarks Board nominating the Hotel as a cultural landmark.

The commission voted 5-0 for the recommendation, and its action highlighted the need for the preservation of the Hotel as a landmark in the historical and cultural experience of the Filipinos of San Francisco.

The Landmarks Board of the city, on motion of Commissioner Sally Famarin, and seconded by Commissioner Margo Warnecke, voted 9-0 in favor of the application designating the Hotel as a cultural landmark.

Dr. Knox Mallon, Director of Parks and Recreation Department under which the state commission operates, explained that this "designation" will assist in safeguarding the Hotel from demolition, but will not completely insure that the city government will not issue a permit to demolish the Hotel.

"It will, however, be reluctant to do so," Dr. Mallon emphasized.

Commissioner Famarin, in making the motion for the application, which was submitted to the city board by a supporter of the Hotel, said that the hotel is the "most appropriate site for a cultural landmark for Filipinos" in the city, and that "The hotel was the home of many early Filipino immigrants to the United States. It was the center of their cultural and social activities, and it was for this reason that a portion of Chinatown was once called Manilatown."

ASIAN AMERICAN NEWS June 1977

CULTURAL LANDMARK

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Now listed in the National Register, the historic Kearny Street sturcture, will become eligible for several considerations:

1. Makes private property owners eligible to be considered for federal grants-in-aid for historic preservation through state programs.

2. Provides protection through comment by the Advisory Council on the Historic Preservation on the effect of federally financed, assisted, or licensed undertakings on historic properties, as stated in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and Executive Order 11593.

Previously, when the proposal was before the National Register, the Register would inform the present owners, Four Seas Development Corp., of its status and give them time to reply.

The significance of the State Commission action is that according to some the special status of the International Hotel was based on socio-cultural importance to the Filipino community. Architecturally, the building is not of any significance, admitted one supporter. Supporters think that this is the first time in the state's history that any building was placed in this special status based on "socio-cultural" reasons.

The newly gained status of the hotel does not prevent the issuance of city demolition permits. Dr. Knox Mellon, director of the S.F. Parks and Recreation Department, said that this designation will assist in safeguarding the hotel from demolition but will not completely insure that the city government will not issue a permit to demolish the hotel. "It," adds Dr. Mellon, "will, however, be reluctant to do so."

The action of the state body was initiated by the recommendation of the San Francisco Landmarks Commission.

Mrs. Sally Famarin, a Filipino member of the city body, testified before the nine-member city board urging passage of the proposal.

She said that since her arrival here in the United States 27 years ago, Filipinos have always referred to this block of Kearny Street as Manilatown. She said that although the building does not have any architectural distinction, the building has an "ethnic identity in San Francisco for one group, the Filipinos."

Although the Filipinos have established themselves in other parts of the city, and even when the "oldtimers" are no longer around, Famarin said the "International Hotel remains important to them (Filipinos) . . . because of the struggle of the younger people for the past several years to save it from demolition."

After Ms. Famarin's plea, the S.F Landmarks Commission voted unanimously to pass their recommendation to the State. Their action reversed previous attempts in 1969 to place it in the favored designation.

Int'l Hotel gains 'historic' stature

By ED I. DIOKNO / *City Editor*

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Contrary to reports in local community newspapers, the International Hotel in San Francisco's Manilatown has not gained the favored status of a "national landmark."

According to government sources, a national landmark must have national significance. The pending status of the hotel as a "historic structure" denotes its local significance.

If listed in the National Register, the historic Kearny

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S. LEE VAVURIS
91 Cameo Way
San Francisco, California 94131

March 6, 1978

Commissioner Sally Famarin
2201 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Sally:

May I take this opportunity to thank you personally for your untiring efforts in obtaining the many signatures on my Petition In Lieu Of Filing Fee.

As a result of the many signatures obtained by you and others, my opponent has now withdrawn from the contest. This means that I now have no opposition for Superior Court Office No. 5 in the primary election on June 6, 1978.

Again, my thanks to you, and may I request that you convey my sincere appreciation to all those friends of yours who were kind enough to sign my petition.

Best regards,

HON. S. LEE VAVURIS
S.F. Superior Court Judge

Mayor George R. Moscone of San Francisco ready to cut his birthday cake in 1978 commissioner Sally Famarin one of the main sponsors.

Filipinos for Moscone, one of the Sponsors of the Happy Birthday celebration of Mayor George R. Moscone, Sally pauses with the Mayor and members of the Cebu Association of California Inc.

Mystery of Philippine Gardens

By SALLY B. FAMARIN
Commissioner of Landmarks Preservation
City and County of San Francisco

SO MUCH publicity of the proposed Philippine Gardens in San Francisco has been fed to Filipino newspapers, but, have the true facts been released by those leaders so the people in our community may know?

After my appointment as Commissioner of Landmarks Preservation, City Planning Department of San Francisco in March of 1976, I immediately thought of doing something great for the community.

The first thing that came up to my mind was the Philippine Gardens and/ or Plaza at the Golden Gate Park so we may have the recognition as other ethnic communities have. At the same time I was working on the International Hotel Landmark for Filipinos and looking forward to the National Shrine and Enthronement of the Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States, of which both have been accomplished, though we lost the International Hotel for some reasons.

With regards to the Philippine Gardens I feel that a conference with the late Mayor George R. Moscone regarding the project will be the most important step so my time and effort will not be wasted. The conference was then arranged. Mayor Moscone was happy and enthused with such a beautiful thought and important project for the Filipino community and gave me the names of the contacts I have to make so I can start working on it. Right away I called the president of Recreation and Park Commission, Eugene Friend who, in turn, referred me to his secretary, Mrs. Katherine Colzani, for all details on how to go about the project. Before I started the appointments for the meetings, I asked Mrs. Colzani if there was such a project then in progress for I didn't want to waste my time. She there was none.

Different meetings then started with the manager of Parks, Jack Spring; Superintendent of Parks, Aldo Cima, and others. They asked me to start my correspondents, so the first letter was drafted. Reproduced here is my letter to Park and Recreation Commission President Eugene Friend, dated Dec. 16, 1976:

It is just and fair that not only the Filipino community but all of San Francisco should know that the persons who really initiated and are responsible for the Philippine Gardens project of putting it together were the late Mayor Moscone of San Francisco, who became an adopted son of Cebu and this writer.

Other Filipino leaders who hav indicated their full support of the project were: Mike Magdaluyo, president of Philippine-American Cultural Society of San Francisco and Institute of Philippine-American Affairs, Inc.; John Atkinson, chairman of the board, Cebu Association of California, Inc.; Dr. Steve Sadang, retired colonel and charter president of Fil-Am Lions of San Francisco, and others.

The Filipino community should know that there has never been any Filipino commissioner appointed to Park and Recreation Commission. To mention the commissioners appointed during Mayor Alioto's term are: Art Armada, Commissioner on Aging; Dr. Amancio Ergina, Commissioner, Housing Authority; Mrs. Mary Ganotise, Human Rights Commission; Tom de Leon, Manpower; Vic Hermoso, Juvenile Delinquency; Mrs. Nicerita Revelo, Status of Women.

Appointees of the late Mayor Moscone are Sid Valledor Jr. and Sally B. Famarin, Screening Committee on Commission and Board Appointments; Commissioner Dick Cerbatos, Board of Permit Appeals; Dr. Ergina, Housing Authority; Commissioner Famarin, Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, City Planning Department; Tony Grafilo, Human Rights; Rev. Tony Ubalde, Housing Authority. Mayor Dianne Feinstein appointed Commissioner Amancio Ergina to the Parking Authority.

There's a saying that goes: "I bake a cake and somebody else ate it."

Filipinos for Arlo Smith, headed by Sally Famarin in 1979 gathered hundreds of Filipinos to support the victorious District Attorney of San Francisco.

COMMITTEE TO ELECT
ARLO SMITH

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COMMITTEE TO
ELECT ARLO SMITH
66 SAN FERNANDO WAY
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94127
DON HILL, TREASURER

October 27, 1979

Dear Sally,

Thank you for that beautiful party for Arlo. It was a great event. We had such an enjoyable time.

Both Arlo and I are grateful for all the time, effort and help you have expended on his campaign.

Fondly,
Helen

LOCAL ELECTIONS

SAN FRANCISCO

Mayor ..... QUENTIN KOPP
District Attorney ..... ARLO SMITH
Sheriff ..... MIKE HENNESSEY

Supervisors

District 1 ..... GORDON LAU
District 3 ..... JOHN MOLINARI
District 5 ..... HARRY BRITT
District 7 ..... ROBERT GONZALES
District 9 ..... LEE DOLSON
District 11 ..... RONALD PELOSI

PROPOSITIONS

PROP. A: NO. Police and Fire Bargaining and Arbitration.
PROP. B: YES.
Establishes a Senior Executive Service
PROP. C: YES.
Allow city's temporary employees to take promotional exams.
PROP. D: NO
Would allow Director of Public Health to appoint three deputy administrators outside of civil service regs.
PROP. E: NO
Would allow Director of Public Works to appoint three deputy administrators and an

A FILIPINO-AMERICANS FOR ARLO SMITH PARTY was held at the St. Joseph's Community Hall last Sunday, Oct. 21 to close the community's campaign for Smith's candidacy for District Attorney. The large enthusiastic gathering was headed by key political leaders in the community who were the original Filipino political organizers for the successful campaigns of Mayors Joseph Alioto and the late John Shelley. It was a reunion of sorts to these Filipino-Americans who had not recently supported a candidate as strongly as they are now supporting Arlo Smith. At the above photo may be seen the candidate, at center, flanked by his leading supporters. In photo, left to right, are: Lou Raymundo, president of the Filipino-American Council of San Francisco; a woman leader of the Iloilo Circle; King Ganotise and Commissioner Mary Ganotise; Commissioner Amancio Ergina . . Mrs. Mildred Revelo **official hostess of the party** Mrs. Arlo Smith, Commissioner Sally Famarin, co-chairman of the Filipino-Americans for Arlo Smith; the candidate, Mrs. Eva Armada, Anselmo Revelo, chairman of the Arlo Smith Filipino Commitee; Nora and Cris Kabasares, vice president of the Filipino-American Council of San Francisco; Commissioner Ariston Armada, president of the Iloilo Circle; two lay members of the committee; Alex A. Esclamado, and Dodong Robles. At background may be seen the large crowd enjoying the party. (Photo by GATON)

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from FILIPINO REPORTER

January 23 – February 5, 1980

The victory of Arlo Smith for District Attorney of San Francisco thrilled leaders of various organizations in the Bay Area and members of the Filipino community. Filipinos for Arlo (partial committee in photo) in the Filipino-American community pose with Arlo and Helen after a hectic campaign.

Headed by Commissioner Sally B. Famarin and Anselmo Revelo, the Filipinos played an important factor in Arlo's win.

BATAAN NEWS—October 3-9, 1980

Sally Famarin aiming for supervisor position in SF

Sally Famarin

SAN FRANCISCO - Former Landmarks Preservation Commissioner Sally Famarin is running for supervisor in the Nov. 4 elections.

Famarin, a mother of four, is currently the president of the Parish Council of St. Joseph's Church and the executive director and sponsor of the Marble Chapel, Shrine of the Santo Nino at St. Joseph's Church, San Francisco.

She served on the Child and Health Disability Prevention, 1973-1977, and the Mayor's Citizens' Committee, "Birthday of San Francisco, 1977-1980.

Among the awards she has received were: Robert C. Howe Memorial Plate Award, as "Patriot of the United States of America Bicentennial Year"; Merit of Honor Certificate, which she received twice from the City and County of San Francisco; and the Senate Resolution Certificate by the California Legislature for Meritorious and Distinguished Service in the Community, an honor she was also awarded twice.

If elected, Famarin promised to recommend positive solutions to the problems of the "tenderloin" district, violence in public transportation, the neighborhood business district and the parks.

She also pledged to introduce resolutions that will enhance all ethnic groups in preserving their customs, traditions, beliefs, religious and cultural heritage which make San Francisco a great cosmopolitan and colorful city.

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San Francisco Examiner

Wed., Oct. 29, 1980 ZB1

Choose your new supes — maybe

65 running, but seats in doubt

In a time not noted for its blandness, the Nov. 4 San Francisco election ballot emerges as one of the more unusual in recent memory.

Sixty-five candidates have filed for 11 Supervisorial seats and at least half of them have been campaigning actively.

On the same ballot, however, is Proposition N, a measure which, if passed, would invalidate the Supervisorial election.

"N" would restore district election of Supervisors, the method repealed by a 1 percent margin in a special election in August.

The turnout in August was so low that those who favor district elections argued it wasn't a mandate, and quickly gathered enough signatures to put "N" on the ballot.

Among the 65 candidates running citywide are several who support district elections. There are several others who say they favor some sort of compromise, combining district and at-large representation.

Mayor Dianne Feinstein said if the winning edge — either way — is not decisive, she will bring together a committee after the election in an attempt to reach a compromise.

If "N" passes, the present Board, which was elected by districts, would remain intact and the 11 incumbents

Where they stand

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		Here are the questions The Examiner posed to the Supervisorial candidates:			
		Do you support/oppose district elections for the Board of Supervisors? How will you vote on Prop N? Explain briefly.	Under the city's rent law, landlords can charge unlimited rent hikes for apartments that are vacated voluntarily. Do you support/oppose extending the rent limits to vacant apartments? Explain briefly.	Please identify a city problem you would attempt to resolve through specific legislation. If you are an incumbent, also identify the legislation you introduced that most reflects your priorities and goals as a city supervisor.	What would you do to improve Municipal Railway service and how would you pay for it? If you have served on the board, describe your efforts in this area.
	Diana Coleman A self-described socialist union militant, 34-year-old Coleman was born in San Francisco, has been active in the civil rights movement, the anti-war and the woman's movements. Most recently she was an organizer of the April 19 Committee Against Nazis.	Class-biased and racist gerrymandering is as easily accomplished by district as by at-large elections. Capitalist parties have no solutions to real issues: unemployment, inflation, threat of war against the USSR, attacks on democratic rights, growing fascist terror.	Extending present rent limits to vacant apartments is supportable as a limited reform. But the only way to stop rent gouging once and for all is by the expropriation of the real estate corporations by a workers' government.	Social gains will be made on the picket line, not at the voting booth. The Spartacist-initiated "April 19 Committee Against Nazis" mobilized 1,200 unionists, minorities and socialists — stopping the Nazis "celebrating" Hitler's birthday. I oppose gun control legislation.	Finish BART — around the Bay and airport to airport — Make BART and Muni free! Finish the freeways! Cancel the city debt! Expropriate the banks, utilities and major industry! Break with the Democrats and Republicans — it's time for a workers' party!
	Pat Corbett Born and educated in Ireland, Corbett came to San Francisco 21 years ago. He is a painting contractor.	I oppose district elections in their present form. If the present Board were confident district elections were best for The City, why not put their talents and resources together and work for proposition N instead of their running citywide?	I am satisfied the present rent law is working for the people; as to vacated apartments, if there are flagrant abuses this would have to be corrected.	One of the great problems of inflation is for families and young couples trying to buy their homes. A way has to be found to help them secure down payments and financing, thereby extending the City base tax.	The Municipal Railway has improved immensely in the past few years. If the efficiency instituted by Curtis Green and his staff is continued and drivers are encouraged to have pride in their jobs, this is the road to follow.
	Willis Crump A realtor and CLU, Crump, 67, is president of Apple Pie and Velvet Financial Corporation. He served 30 years in the Army in Korea, the Presidio here, Hawaii, Oklahoma, West Germany and Arlington, Va., as a personnel officer. He studied government and finance during eight years of night schools. He is married, has two daughters and four grandchildren.	I oppose district elections for the Board of Supervisors. I will work and vote for the defeat of Proposition N. In my opinion citywide elections will produce a Board with more ability and dedication to serve all the people of San Francisco.	I oppose rent control. San Francisco must preserve free enterprise in housing to avoid gross property deterioration, loss of tax revenues and fiscal chaos such as that experienced by cities of New York and Cleveland.	The senior citizen dilemma is a growing problem. Galloping inflation forces thousands into a state of poverty. I have initiated organization of a non-profit corporation of volunteers, to harness a vast reserve of talents of able seniors, to create supplemental sources of income for at least 25,000 needy citizens.	Replace obsolete Muni equipment for increased comfort, safety, and efficiency. Obtain federal and state assistance with the cost. Roll back regular fares, raise senior fares to 10 cents. Improved service will increase use and offset cost.
	Del Dawson Born in 1935 in Akron, Ohio, Dawson has lived here about 12 years. A merchant, he has served as president of the Noe Valley Merchants Association and was principally responsible for the Noe Valley Street Fairs. He has served on Mayor Feinstein's screening committee for appointments to commissions and committees, and also is civilian instructor at the San Francisco and Oakland police academies for the community awareness program.	I have supported district elections in the past, but since I have decided to run on a citywide basis I cannot be consistent and support them in this race. I have always advocated a combination district/citywide makeup for the Board, and still do.	I oppose it. I think that it is equitable to property owners to exempt vacant apartments and until such time that I am convinced that there are significant abuses I will maintain that position.	I would like very much to have a resolution of the problem that police officers face in the duality of the old retirement system and the current one. I believe that officers under the pre-1975 system must be brought into an equitable retirement situation.	My concerns with Muni would not present additional costs: I am concerned in primarily the area of safety on the system, the conduct of operators with the public, and improvement of scheduling.

	Lee Dolson A native of San Francisco, a veteran of World War II and Korea, Dolson obtained a master's degree from San Francisco State, and another master's and Ph.D from UC-Berkeley. He has taught at Balboa High and City College from 1965 to the present. He has previously served as a member of the Board of Education and the Board of Supervisors.	We need unity, not 11 cities within one city. 'No' on N will provide supervisors who are directly responsible to the entire electorate. Providing numbered seats, tied to different area residence requirements, yet elected citywide could offer a solution.	No single group should be forcibly burdened by inflation and political attempts to ignore the laws of supply and demand. Rent limits, tied to actual, not artificial, cost-of-living indexes could make such extensions easier to swallow.	We need to revive 911 emergency telephone service legislation which I introduced to help those needing fast response from police, fire, ambulance or other emergency services. State supplemental funding is available. Disaster and crime lab equipment also requires immediate updating.	I worked for 'dead-time' reduction in full-circle, turn-around routing and maintenance schedules, thus reducing costs. I would increase rush-hour traffic routing and priority options and also cost-effectively train Muni security forces for enlarged police powers.
	Luisa Ezquerro A native San Franciscan, for 20 years she has taught in the public schools here and been active in various community groups, such as the Mission Coalition Organization, Mission Model Cities Corp., San Francisco Forum and Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods. She has been an elected delegate to the San Francisco Labor Council and the State Central Democratic Committee.	The well-being of The City — politically, socially, economically — directly affects all sectors and communities. To assure this well-being, Supervisors must have neighborhood and citywide experience, perspective and concern. At this time, I oppose Proposition N.	I am in favor of limited/legislated rent increases on all units with a program developing more housing units for low-moderate-middle income groups. There must be an immediate plan to protect all existing housing units, including single residences. Adding units to the housing stock eventually can relieve the abuse of high rents.	Poor coordination of services is a major problem in city government. Legislation to eliminate duplication, allowing flexible/extended service hours and maximizing program delivery is my priority.	Muni needs to establish a dialogue with their employees and those who ride Muni. Decisions regarding routes must take into consideration serving people. Transit-only corridors on busy streets are good. More consistent maintenance and safety is crucial.
	Sally Famarin A native of the Philippines, Famarin has lived in San Francisco the past 30 years, has been a realtor since 1960 and is owner of Famarin Realty in the Sunset District. The mother of four, she has served on various boards and commissions under Mayors Christopher, Shelley, Alioto, Moscone and Feinstein.	District election of supervisors has not worked effectively. I have received unfavorable comments from various segments in The City that they have not been listened to by their respective district Supervisors. I will vote no on Prop. N.	I oppose extending rent limits to vacant apartments, but landlords should not increase rents of vacated apartments more than what has been spent renovating them.	I will introduce positive solutions to crime and violence committed in public parks, transportation, vandalism in business districts and will ameliorate the sad plight of our senior citizens by conversion of hotels to solve their housing problems, especially in the Tenderloin and South of Market area.	Safety of our Muni passengers by strong and visible presence of Muni police force especially during the rush and school hours. Bringing in business and light industry will create job opportunities for city residents, and revenue to improve our Muni service.
	Peter Finnegan Appointed chairman of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board in 1975, Finnegan, 42, also has been serving as member of the S.F. Community College District board. He is completing work on a Ph.D. in public policy from UC-Berkeley, has lectured in government at USF, served in the Peace Corps and worked as a legislative assistant in Sacramento for seven years.	Since I am running at large for the Board of Supervisors I would be less than candid if I supported district elections. I intend to vote no on Propositon N. I feel that the election of supervisors at large will bring the city together.	I oppose extending the rent limits to vacant apartments. I feel that the present Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Board is working well.	I will attempt to reduce the present city sewer charge. Legislation must be introduced to allow San Franciscans to obtain tax credit for this onerous charge.	The present Muni rerouting must be examined by the board. The heavy-handed management of Muni must be made to toe the line by the Board of Supervisors.
	Peter Fortune An attorney in private practice for 10 years, Fortune, 36, also has a degree in economics from Yale University. He is a member of the board of a Big Brothers-Big Sisters organization.	I oppose district elections and Prop. N. My supervisor does not represent my interests. Another district's supervisor would not seriously listen to me because I don't vote for him or her. I want to have 'clout' with all the supervisors.	I oppose rent control. However, if rent control must stay, I would consider supporting an extension of rent limits to vacant apartments only if the allowable percentage rent increases were significantly increased, e.g. pegged to equal cost-of-living increases.	Housing: Legalize secondary or 'in-law' units in present residential units; grant significantly more 'bonuses' to encourage developers to build residential units in connection with other projects; get moving on developing the northeast waterfront and adjacent areas.	Make sure we will always qualify for the federal subsidy; would consider a downtown transit assessment district; provide incentives for carpoolers within The City, such as subsidized parking; implement Muni's 5-year plan, e.g. articulated buses, reconfigure route structure.
	Larry Frausto A native of Phoenix, he obtained a law degree from Hastings in 1972. Frausto, 38, is married with two children. Following a year with S.F. Neighborhood Legal Assistance Foundation, he has been in private practice, and has also served on the San Francisco Charter Review Commission.	I am in favor of district elections. Districts have made supervisors more responsive to the concerns of the individual while the mayor represents the collective needs of The City. I believe this to be a good balance.	Current rent limits should be extended to vacant apartments. We need to protect tenants from the small minority of abusive landlords, but must also attempt to insure an equitable return for the non-abusive owners of rental property.	San Francisco is a polarized city. I would propose legislation that would mandate a committee of the Board of Supervisors meet with interested parties from both sides of a proposed initiative to help seek a compromise prior to collecting signatures.	The Muni is a good system, but there is room for improvement. Safety for riders could be improved considerably with increased police presence on certain lines. This program could be possible by taking advantage of federal revenues.

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CANDIDATES FOR SUPERVISOR

SALLY B. FAMARIN

My address is 2207 28th Avenue.

My occupation is Realtor, Real Property Securities Dealer, Notary Public.

My qualifications for office are: 30 year resident of San Francisco. Homeowner advocate for affordable Housing and Business Development for San Franciscans. Realtor since 1960, Real Property Securities Dealer, Notary Public. Active member, Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. Served four City Mayors' Citizens Screening Committees on Board and Commission Appointees. Concerned community and neighborhood leader. Spearheaded project in civic, cultural, historical, social, religious and political endeavors since 1957. Executive Director, donor of a Marble Chapel Shrine, Santo Niño, Saint Joseph's Church. Served, Child Health and Disability Prevention, Mayor's Citizen's Committee, Birthday of San Francisco. Strong commitment, Senior Citizen's concern and Escort Program. Affirmative action on immigration and youth programs.

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PETER M. FINNEGAN

My address is 555 Post Street.

My occupation is Commissioner, State of California.

My age is 42.

My qualifications for office are: For eight years I've been elected citywide to the San Francisco Community College Board. I've served as President and Chaired Finance.

For five years I've served as Chairman of the State Liquor Appeals Board. I wrote the landmark consumer decision repealing pricefixing of alcoholic beverages.

For seven years I was assistant to a local assemblyman. I worked in Washington, and Sacramento. I know neighborhood and city problems.

I obtained money for Senior Citizens; I've fought for lower Muni fares.

My election will bring leadership and experience to city government. As a native San Franciscan I'm dedicated to fight for a better "City."

PETER M. FINNEGAN

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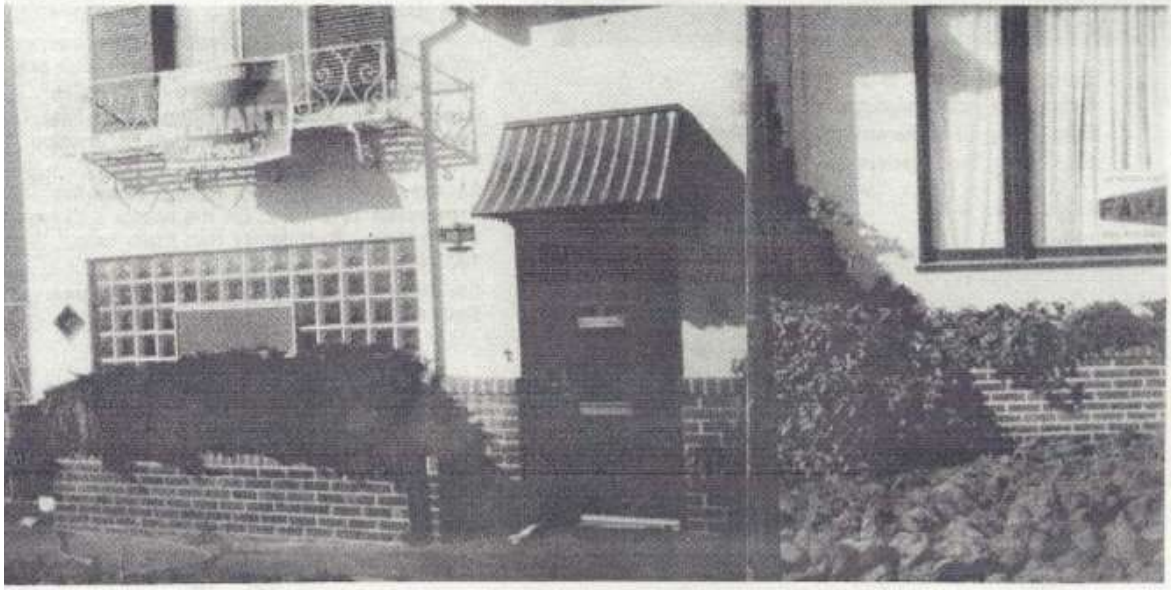
The First Filipino woman to sign on the Supervisorial race in the City and County of San Francisco, California, U.S.A. Sally Basiga Famarin signed documents for the race at the Registrar's Office in San Francisco in the year of Our Lord 1980 as other candidates look on.



Supervisorial Race — CAMPAIGN '80 — San Francisco, California, FAMARIN HEAD-QUARTERS at 2207 — 28th Avenue in San Francisco displayed signs of both Ina Gyemant for Municipal Court Judge and Sally B. Famarin for Board of Supervisors.

Dr. Amancio Ergina, Jun Caba of Jolina Jewelers, Sally Famarin and Ted Sabiniano endorses for support.

SALLY FAMARIN FOR SUPERVISOR

Years of experience in governmental affairs of the city.

Proven leadership and commitment in community and neighborhood affairs.

Honest and hard working public servant.

Realtor since 1960. Business Administration and General Insurance Graduate, Real Property Securities Dealer and Chartered Member, American Society of Notaries.

Served under City Mayors: Christopher, Shelley, Alioto, Moscone and Feinstein on various Boards and Commission.

Active member, Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, San Francisco 1976-1980.

Concerned and well-known community and neighborhood leader.

Spearheaded various projects in civic, cultural, governmental, social, historical, religious and political endeavors since 1957.

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Served on the Child and Health Disability Prevention 1973-1977. On the Mayor's Citizens' Committee, "Birthday of San Francisco," 1977-1980.

Sally Famarin is a mother of four children: Sally Anne, Cathay, Rudy and Rose Marie.

Hanging up signs is an important factor in campaigning. Famarin signs hang in different districts of the City of San Francisco.

San Francisco District Attorney Arlo Smith, a key endorser, Famarin for Supervisor

A lot of my friends belong in politics, and it was inevitable that I should land in politics myself. At the beginning it was simply a matter of supporting candidates who were close friends and campaigning for them, mainly among the Filipino community. An unsuccessful bid for San Fraricisco Supervisorship, however, was approached in the spirit of gaining valuable experience. The lessons I learned cannot be found in any textbook, and I will treasure for a lifetime.

In general my involvement in politics has resulted in nothing but good for the Filipinos I represent, by enhancing our stature as well as gaining concessions lobbied by Filipinos. I hope I have paved the way for other Filipinos gaining the esteem of important citizens of this country. Jokingly, of course, one might ask: Why not an Asian for the Presidency of the U.S. sometime in the near future?

The following pages show my favorite memories of this part of my life.

SUPERVISOR CAROL RUTH SILVER

November 5, 1980

Ms. Sally B. Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco CA 94116

Dear Sally:

You have participated in the democratic political process and in some sense that alone is a victory. I am glad that you accepted this challenge, and that you joined in the hard and tiring days and nights of the campaign. I do hope that you consider it to have been a worthwhile investment in your own future and in the historical future of all of us.

I look forward to your continued participation in the important political issues of our days.

Sincerely,

Carol

Carol Ruth Silver

QUENTIN L. KOPP
Board of Supervisors

November 17, 1980

Sally B. Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA

Dear Sally:

In the face of adverse odds, you had the courage and motivation to seek an important public office and you deserve acclamation for doing so.

You have made manifest your commitment to San Francisco. I understand and sympathize with your personal disappointment, but I hope you will not withdraw from helping to forge a better government for all of San Francisco.

If I can assist you in any way, shape or manner, just let me know.

Sincerely yours,

QUENTIN L. KOPP

More Supervisorial Candidates, CAMPAIGN '80; Carol Ruth Silver, Sally B. Famarin and Louise Renne with supporters

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December 3, 1980

Dear Sally,

I know how disappointed you must be in the results of the election. You conducted an excellent campaign, and I am sure that you will continue your active participation in the resolution of the problems facing our City.

I look forward to working with you in the years ahead and send my best personal regards.

Cordially,

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February 11, 1981

Mrs. Sally B. Famarin
President
Parish Council of St. Joseph's Church
1415 Howard Street
San Francisco, California 94103

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

I am writing on behalf of Archbishop Quinn to thank you for the very beautiful souvenir booklet which you sent to him earlier this week. The Archbishop is most grateful for your kindness in sending this to him and wishes to congratulate you on the fine work you are doing for the Filipino Catholic Community of San Francisco.

On behalf of Archbishop Quinn, I am

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Milton Walsh

Reverend Milton T. Walsh
Secretary to the Archbishop

MTW:scm

San Francisco

MARCH 21 -
SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION of priestly ordination of Reverend Albert Bitangjol at 5 p.m. concelebrated mass at St. Patrick Church, 756 Mission Street, San Francisco. Reception (Dinner-Dance) after Mass. Music by Johnny Rojo and His Band. Donation $8.00 each. For reservations, please call Sally C. Tongson 626-1712, Luci Wirth 584-8088 and or St. Patrick Church 421-0547.

MARCH 26 -
NATIONAL HOUSING CONFERENCE dinner in honor of Mayor Dianne Feinstein at the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Palace Hotel. Chairpersons are California State Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, Jr., Bernard Hogan, Supervisor John Molinari, and Sally B. Famarin (committee member). For more information, call 731-7361.

MARCH 26-28 -APRIL 2-4 -
"PHILIPPINE EPIC-KAYUMANGI," a play put on by the Filipino students and faculty of The San Francisco State University's School of Ethnic Studies through its Asian American Studies (AAS) Department will run this spring in the university's Little Theater. The play is a project of the Pilipino Studies at San Francisco State written by playright Melvyn D. Escueta which covers 463 years of Philippine History featuring native dances, songs, and martial arts. Tickets will be on sale at the University's box office at 469-2467. For further information about the play and its performances, call 391-6992 or 391-8393 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is one of the first attempts of Filipino-American students to produce a play while at the same promote

San Francisco

MARCH 28 -
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DANCE of the newly organized American Legion Auxiliary Unit, TRAVA Post 368 is all set to install its first set of Officers on March 28; 1981 at the Social Hall, St. Patrick's Church, 756 Mission St. No host cocktails 7 p.m. Enjoy dancing from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. to the lively music of Mar Ibona and his Dance Band. Refreshment will be served and prizes will be given away. Donation is $6.00 per person. The public is invited. Tickets available at the door. For more information call Tita Hernandez (415) 239-7014; Nita Fernandez (415) 333-2337; Pacita Bautista (415) 387-6983; or Pruding Ante (415) 782-3440.

MARCH 27 -
INAUGURATIONof officers for the Filipino Community of San Francisco will be at the Presidio Officers Club on March 27, at 7:30 p.m. The dinner-dance is $15 per person. Free parking space is available. The menu includes prime rib and trimming. Interested persons should make reservations no later than March 22. For more information, contact Gen. Chairman Charles Dionisio at 415-756-0946; Co-Chair Cecilia Dimaya at (415) 751-2878; or President Telesforo Batara at (415) 751-9253.

APRIL 4 -
POST-EASTER DANCE of the Filipino Adult-Youth Catholic Organization, Inc. (FAYCO) at the Church of the Visitacion Parish Hall, 655 Sunnydale Ave., from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music by Palacio del Castillo. Donation is $5.00. For more information, call Nazario and Cecilia Reyes (executive grand chairmen).

San Francisco

MAY 22-24 -
LAS VEGAS HOLIDAY TRIP (Memorial Day Weekend) under the sponsorship of Dolly's Reno-Las Vegas Tour. $145 per person; includes round-trip transportation, 2 nights accommodation, dinner-show and other free compliments. For more information, call Dolly Baclig, 285-6039; or Pauline Basconcillo, 000-0000.

JUNE 20 -
GOLDEN JUBILEE celebration in the priesthood of Fr. James A. McGee. Main celebrant at the Mass at 5:30 p.m. to be held at St. Joseph's Church, Tenth and Howard Streets, is Archbishop John R. Quinn. A grand banquet and ball will follow at the Ralston Room of the Sheraton Palace Hotel, Montgomery St. Donation: $15.00 per person. For more information, call Sally B. Famarin, president of the Parish Council and executive general chairperson, 731-7361; Tom Curtin and Junius Judice, co-chairpersons, 621-1767.

JUNE 29 -
CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY under the auspices of Mayor Dianne Feinstein's Citizens Committee. Mass at Mission Dolores Church; luncheon at the Presidio of San Francisco. Filipino-Americans interested in participating in the celebration are urged to call Commissioner Sally B. Famarin for reservations: 731-7361 or 731-5545.

Archdiocese of San Francisco Archives

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Archdiocese of San Francisco
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February 17, 1982.

Commissioner Sally B. Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Commissioner, Famarin:

We thank you again for your continued interest in our general aims and purposes as evidenced by your gift of the booklet on La Chapella del Santo Nino de Cebu of St. Joseph's Church. It is further evidence of your energetic and worthwhile work in aid of your church and your community.

With every best wish.

Sincerely,

James Abajian
Archivist

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SALLY FAMARIN
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PLEASE ACCEPT MY HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF MY CANDIDACY FOR GOVERNOR. I AM SORRY THAT I CANNOT PERSONALLY BE WITH YOU TODAY BUT I KNOW YOU UNDERSTAND THE MANY DEMANDS OF THE CAMPAIGN. YOUR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT MEAN A GREAT DEAL AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONFIDENCE IN ME. TOGETHER WE WILL RESTORE QUALITY GOVERNMENT IN CALIFORNIA.
GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN

17:31 EST

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THE PUBLIC FORUM

Views and opinions expressed in this column are those of the writers and not necessarily those of this publication -- THE EDITORS

Filipinos do deliver

By SALLY B. FAMARIN
Coordinator of the National Filipino American Political Forum

IT IS shocking that Filipinos in this country, especially in California, where you find a majority of Filipinos, attack other Filipinos in the news media just because they have, or are supporting other candidates.

Ernie Sana of (Filipino Americans for Deukmeijian) Northern California may have made a mistake when he said, "Duke's contact with the Filipinos this late is due to lack of communication." If Ernie Sana did make such a statement, is it right for Sam V. Castelo, (Oct. 20-26, *PN*) to make such a big issue? Is he worried that because of the support of Filipinos for "George Deukmeijian for Governor" we will beat his candidate?

"Jun Reodica of Southern California, a successful, rich businessman," he said. It is too bad that Jun Reodica, another Filipino is blessed with riches and Castelo isn't. You see, dear countrymen, this has nothing to do with the campaign, the supporters are not running for office but supporting the candidates and for what? So the Filipino people will have the recognition they deserve. Whichever party wins, the Filipinos will have their prestige as voters in this country of ours.

I would like to emphasize to Mr. Castelo that his article, *Colonial Mentality among Deukmejian Backers*," is a great insult to the Deukmeijian supporters who are like native Californians, raised their families in this country and are used to the democratic way of living and voting. They may own properties in California but they have worked hard to get where they are today. So, you see, they are not all rich people.

We do suggest that Sam Castelo not attack Filipino supporters of other candidates,. He should give more of his time to his own candidate and go on with his campaign or put his foot in his own backyard. He should congratulate and admire the other people in their participation of the election process regardless of party. It gives the Filipino people a strong political front, etc.

I am a registered Democrat by party but support the candidate of my choice. I would like to emphasize in this article that the National Filipino-American Political Forum which I have coordinated was behind Deukmejian for Governor since the primary. You see, we do not make much noise but we do, and will, deliver. We vote for the candidate of our choice, what they can do, and how they can serve our people.

George "Duke" Deukmejian has served the State of California for 20 years and earned the "People's Trust". Having served as Attorney General for the State of California for four years made him the most qualified person for governor of California and when he sits on that chair, we can assure our people that the Filipinos will be well represented, as any other ethnic group. By that time, he will be able to make his best choice — those who can deliver, not just make a lot of noise.

So our dear countrymen, we urge you to vote on November 2nd and vote for the candidate of your choice!

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY

SAN FRANCISCO

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December 23, 1982

Governor Elect George Deukmejian
555 Capitol Mall
Suite 1545
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Governor Elect Deukmejian:

Sally Famarin is a leader in the Filipino-American community in San Francisco and Northern California. She has been exceptionally active in assisting candidates in San Francisco as well as working in elections of statewide offices She has been a strong supporter in your behalf with the San Francisco electorate as well as the Filipino community. She has served as Commissioner on the San Francisco Commission on Historical Preservation. Her activities and interests involving social, charitable and cultural organizations are far too many to list.

Sally Famarin is also a person of intelligence and mature judgment. She has the willingness to work diligently and has been successful at every task in which she has been involved.

I highly recommend Sally Famarin for a position that involves liason with community groups, particularly with Filipino groups where she is one of the most widely respected members of the community.

Very truly yours,

ARLO SMITH
District Attorney

AS:jb

Richard L. Silver
19th Assembly District Representative
California Democratic Party
370 Glenwood Avenue
Daly City, CA 94015
(415) 755-3539

March 1, 1983

Sally Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

As the 19th Assembly District Representative to the Democratic State Central Committee Executive Board I want to congratulate you for being elected Vice President of the new West of Twin Peaks Democratic Club.

Please be assured of my cooperation and the cooperation of the entire 19th A.D. Committee in the future.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Silver

Mel Red Recana
Judge

In Chambers
Municipal Court
Los Angeles Judicial District

110 N. Grand Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90012
(213) 974-5111

April 20, 1983

Honorable George Deukmejian
Governor
Sacramento, California

Dear Governor:

I have the honor to recommend Commissioner SALLY FAMARIN as your Liaison Officer to the Filipino-American Community.

While I do not know of any commitment on your part to appoint one, it would certainly be appreciated if the third largest minority group in California would have a representative in your staff.

Commissioner Famarin has been actively involved in our Community for the last twenty years. I join the countless Filipino leaders who commend her very highly for the position.

Best wishes.

Very sincerely,

JUNE 5

Woman runs for Demo committee

SAN FRANCISCO — The founder and president emeritus of the Santo Nino de Cebu Association International, Sally Basiga Famarin, is a candidate for the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee representing the 19th Assembly District. Her name will appear on the June 5 ballot.

Famarin is a native of Mandaue City, Philippines, and the daughter of the late Severo and Serapia Basiga. She is a 1941 graduate of the University of Visayas, Cebu.

Since 1962, Famarin has worked as a real estate saleswoman and is director-owner of Famarin Realty, United Homes Realty, United Homes Insurance Service, Far East American Travel and Income Tax Service. From 1972-1974, she was owner and operator of Sally's Sunset Villa Ambulatory Home for the Aged.

Famarin has been active in Filipino and San Francisco political and community activities being the first Filipino in 1976 to serve as a member of the Mayor's Citizens Committee to Celebrate the Birthday of San Francisco. She also was the first Filipino woman supervisorial candidate in San Francisco in 1980.

SALLY FAMARIN

She was appointed by the late Mayor George Moscone to serve on the screening committee on boards and commissions and served on the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. Famarin was the author and endorser in 1977 of the International Hotel landmark, the first Filipino landmark in the U.S. National Register of Cultural and Historical Places.

She also authored and endorsed the Santo Nino de Cebu Shrine, national shrine of Filipinos in America as part of the description of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 10th and Howard streets, in the National Register of Cultural and Historical Places, U.S. Department of the Interior.

Her professional memberships are in the National Real Estate Association, the National Association of Real Estate Board, the National Salesman's Association, California Real Estate Association, San Francisco Board of Realtors, American Society of Notaries and the National Historic Preservations of America.

From 1953 to 1960, Famarin was president of the Regular Veterans Association Auxiliary. She is founder of the Mandaue Association de Santo Nino, Philippines, advisor to the Filipino-American Senior Citizens of San Francisco and Bay Area of St. Joseph's and member of the American Legion Bataan Post 600.

Famarin is married to Carsiolo Tagle Famarin and is the member of Sally Anne, Catherine, Rodolfo Carlite and Rose Marie.

Deputy Attorney General of California

INA ("JAY-mont") GYEMANT

for Municipal Court Judge - #1

INSIST ON EXCELLENCE

"THE FILIPINO AND AMERICAN FRIENDS OF INA", spearheaded by Commissioner Sally B. Famarin of San Francisco, gathered at the Commissioner's residence for champagne cocktails and a buffet dinner to aim high for the post Ina seeks.

Leaders, professionals, close friends and strong supporters in the Bay Area greeted the Honoree!

Sponsors of the events were: John H. Atkinson, House of Upsuhr, John Lauricella, Attorney at Law a Commissioner Sally B. Famarin.

Ina Gyemant won the color television set during the "Marble Chapel" raffle of the Santo Niño de Ceb the Filipino's Patron Saint, at St. Joseph's Church. Ina donated the color television set to Laguna Honda Hor for the Aged in her name and the Cebu Association of California. The presentation was made with Commissior Sally B. Famarin, Founder, President Emeritus and World Emissary of the Association.

P.S. Please join us for our Election Night Victory Party at Bacchini's Restaurant, Tuesday, June 3rd at 8:00 pm. (555 Golden Gate Avenue between Polk & Van Ness)

Commissioner Sally B. Famarin chats with Special guest of the evening, Attorney General of the State of California George Deukmejian and the Honoree, Ina Gyemant, Municipal Court Judge, City & County of San Francisco at Bimbo's.

INA LEVIN GYEMANT
3600 WASHINGTON STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94118
(415) 922-9228

Sally Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA

Dear Sally:

Thank you so much for the wonderful support you have given me throughout the campaign! Sally, not only have you been extremely instrumental in introducing me to others who have given support, but you have always taken the time to inform me of events I should go to and then taken the time to introduce me around at those events.

I greatly appreciate the wonderful party you gave for me - once again - and I thank you for taking the time to come to the Laguna Honda home with me.

Sally, we could not do it without you! I assure you I am working hard to merit the confidence you have placed in me - with the continued support of people such as yourself I am confident we will have a victory!

Sincerely,

Ina

Ina Gyemant

U.S. Congresswoman Sala Burton accepts honorary life membership award for the late U.S. Congressman Philipp Burton.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

SALA BURTON
FIFTH DISTRICT
CALIFORNIA

December 7, 1983

Dear Sally:

I thank you for your pledge of support for my re-election effort.

Your continuing support means a great deal to me, and I deeply appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Sala Burton

SALA BURTON
Member of Congress

Ms. Sally Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

This is to express my appreciation for your invaluable aid and support in the past.

In all of your endeavors you have demonstrated concern and leadership not only to the Filipino community but to the entire City and County of San Francisco as well.

You are known throughout the Filipino community as a leader in social, cultural, and community organizations. Your involvement and dedication to San Francisco is demonstrated by your service as a Commissioner determined to preserve the heritage of San Francisco.

In all of your service to the community, from your active involvement in San Francisco political life to your successful efforts to raise money for the Shrine of Santo Nino de Cebu, you set a standard of uncompromised integrity and leadership.

I am very grateful for all of your assistance and look forward to a lifetime of mutual support and friendship.

Very truly yours,

Arlo

ARLO SMITH
District Attorney

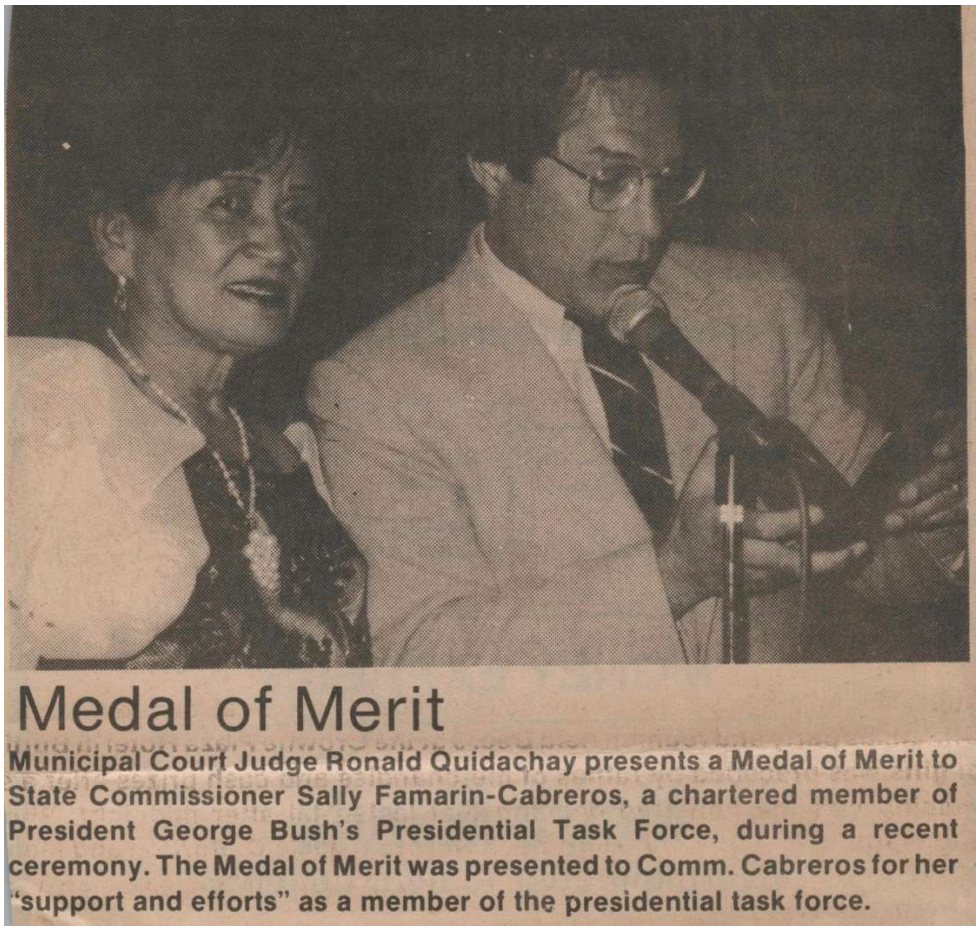
Honors

Recipient of many Certificates of Honors, Commendation and Recognition from various City Officials, organizations and friends for leadership in the community, social, civic and political movements, and promotion of the Philippine culture and heritage.

Friends of Sally B. Famarin sponsored a Testimonial Ball in honor of her Realtors Silver Anniversary together with 33 years of community service.

Recognition for the First Filipina ~~

- San Francisco Board of Supervisors for public recognition of distinction and merit as the first Filipino Woman Realtor in California.
- Testimonial Banquet and Ball hosted by the Cebu Association of California and the Marina Dizon Lodge # 81 for being the first Filipino to hold three important positions in the City & County of San Francisco: Mayor George Moscone's Screening Committee on Boards and Commission, Child Health and Disability Prevention Advisory Board, and Commissioner Landmarks Preservation City Planning Department.
- Organizer for the first Filipino Independent Political headquarters in San Francisco.
- First Filipino to serve on the Mayor's Citizens Committee, celebrating the birthday of San Francisco.



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IN HONOR OF

SALLY B. FAMARIN

ORGANIZER AND FIRST PRESIDENT CEBU ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

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- Resolutions, California State Legislature
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Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cebu
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Hon. Osmundo G. Rama
Provincial Governor

Chairman
Committee on Public Works
Committee on Finance

M E S S A G E

From far-away Cebu, Philippines, echo our cheers of joy and prayers of thanks that one of us has carved a prominent niche socially, politically, and in business in that great land, the United States of America. We justifiably glow with pride in the singular honor bestowed on Mrs. Sally B. Famarin, our paisana. We are deeply happy that this most historic province in the Philippines, known for the heroic valor of Lapulapu and the statesmanship of Sergio Osmeña, Sr., has again earned an indelible mark of distinction through a native daughter who has been meritoriously included in the elite roster of distinguished individuals in America.

As chief executive of the province of Cebu, I carry the voice of the Cebuanos in warmly congratulating Mrs. Sally B. Famarin and in thanking her for carrying the banner with pride for Cebu and the Philippines.

Cebu City, Philippines, August 28, 1974.

O. G. RAMA, M.D.
Provincial Governor

Assembly Rules Committee-California Legislature

Resolution

By the Honorable John F. Foran
Twenty-third Assembly District

RELATIVE TO COMMENDING SALLY B. FAMARIN

WHEREAS, A distinguished San Francisco civic and business leader and community figure, Sally B. Famarin, is deserving of special recognition upon her selection as being among this country's leaders with her inclusion in the biographical directories of *Who's Who of American Women* and the *Who's Who in California;* and

WHEREAS, Sally Famarin, who owns and operates the United Homes Realty, started in business as a real estate saleswoman after preparing herself by completing postgraduate courses in real estate from the Chamberlain Real Estate School in 1960; and

WHEREAS, She is affiliated with various Filipino-American community organizations in which she is known as an industrious worker and natural leader, including the Cebu Association of California, of which she is a founder and president emeritus; and

WHEREAS, As general chairman of the Silver Anniversary recognition of the survivors of the World War II battles of Bataan and Corregidor, Sally Famarin was responsible for the very touching honors given the survivors now residing in the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, Active in state and local politics, she was general chairman of the Filipino-American Friends of Peter Tamaras during the 1973 City and County Board of Supervisors race and campaign coordinator of the Filipino-American Friends of Senator Marks in the 1972 state elections, and she was awarded a certificate of merit in 1973 from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors for her valuable and meritorious services to the community; and

WHEREAS, Sally Famarin was co-general chariman of the Filipino-American Friendship Week in San Francisco and chairman of the Queen Contest Committee in 1974, is a life member of the Regular Veterans Association, and is a member of the National Association of the Real Estate Boards, the California Real Estate Association, and the San Francisco Board of Realtors; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly Rules Committee, That the Members commend Sally B. Famarin on her outstanding record of diligent and devoted community service and congratulate her upon her noteworthy honor of being included within both the *Who's Who of American Women* and the *Who's Who in California;* and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a suitably prepared copy of this resolution to Sally B. Famarin.

Resolution No. 375
Approved by the Assembly Rules Committee

By

Leon Ralph

Leon Ralph
Chairman

Subscribed this 11th day of September, 1974

Leo T. McCarthy

Leo T. McCarthy
Speaker of the Assembly

The Senate, California Legislature

Resolution

OF THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

By Senator Milton Marks

RELATIVE TO COMMENDING
SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the Members of the Senate that Sally Basiga Famarin, San Francisco community leader and realtor, has been honored by inclusion in Who's Who of American Women and Who's Who in California; and

WHEREAS, Sally Famarin emigrated from the Philippines to San Francisco, in 1950, where she embarked upon a distinguished business career, becoming owner and Director of the United Homes Realty; and

WHEREAS, Active in community affairs from her earliest days in San Francisco, Sally Famarin was Campaign Coordinator in the Filipino-American community for Senator Milton Marks' successful reelection campaign in 1972, and was General Chairman of the Filipino-American Friends of Peter Tamaras in his successful campaign for supervisor in 1973; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her political work, Sally Famarin is a leader of long-standing recognition among the Filipino-American community and is currently President Emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Sally Famarin was Cochairman of the Filipino-American Friendship Week in 1974, and is a life member of the Regular Veterans Association, member of the Caballeros de Dimasalang, the National Salesmen Association, the American Society of Notaries, the National Association of Real Estate Boards, the California Real Estate Association, and the San Francisco Board of Realtors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, That the Members commend Sally Basiga Famarin for her exemplary leadership of the Filipino-American community of San Francisco and her distinguished professional accomplishments; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitably prepared copy of this resolution be transmitted to Sally Basiga Famarin.

Senate Rules Resolution No. 752

Adopted September 17, 1974

James R. Mills
CHAIRMAN

Milton Marks 9th
SENATOR DISTRICT

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San Francisco, California 94102
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September 18, 1974

Ms. Sally B. Famarin
United Homes Realty
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

I regret very much to advise that a conflict in my schedule will prevent me from attending the testimonial banquet and ball on Friday evening, September 20, 1974 in your honor.

I have been looking forward to attending this event and am very sorry that circumstances now prevent my doing so.

Since I will not be present, I want to convey by this letter my congratulations and best wishes that the testimonial dinner will be a resounding success. Your inclusion in "Who's Who of American Women" and "Who's Who in California" is an outstanding achievement. We are very proud that one of the woman members of the San Francisco Board of Realtors has achieved this distinction.

Yours truly,

Fredric S. Freund
President

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
CITY OF CEBU
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

M E S S A G E

My heartiest felicitations to Mrs. Sally B. Famarin of Mandawe City, on the occasion of the Testimonial Banquet and Ball to be tendered in her honor by Filipino and American friends at the St. Francis Hotel Grand Ballroom. Post and Powell streets, San Francisco, California on September 20.

All Cebuanos can justly be proud of the distinction Mrs. Famarin has earned as one of the leading Filipino community leaders in California whose activities cover all areas of business as well as the civic, fraternal and social spheres. Winning such prestigious honors as her selection in "Who's who in American Women" and "Who's who in California" is no easy task and I can say in all candor and sincerity that the honoree is attuned to the times.

May I also convey my warmest greetings and best wishes to Mr. Juan Cagampang and the other officers of the Philipoine Center in Oakland, California.

City of Cebu, August 28, 1974.

EULOGIO E. BORRES
Mayor

Greetings

It is a pleasure for me on behalf of her fellow San Franciscans to extend warmest congratulations and best wishes to Sally B. Famarin on the occasion of the Testimonial Banquet and Ball in her honor on September 20, 1974.

Since she came to San Francisco more than twenty years ago this remarkable lady has been making history in many diverse fields of community endeavor. She has combined a successful career in business with outstanding accomplishments in community enterprises which have redounded great benefit to many aspects of our society. The list of organizations and individuals who have been favorably affected by her dedication to the betterment of the community is endless. Her zeal for excellence in all her undertakings—business, politics, social services and religious activities are a source of inspiration and admiration to all who are privileged to know her.

As an American of Philippine origin, Sally Famarin has done much to bring knowledge of the heritage and culture of her beautiful island home to the people of her adopted land. A notable contribution in this regard was her founding and fostering of the development of the Cebu Association, an organization which plays an important part in fostering the spirit of respect and understanding which exists between the people of the Philippine Islands and the United States. However, not only Filipino-Americans, but all our people have been enriched and enlightened because of her efforts.

As Mayor of San Francisco I am very pleased to join in this tribute to a lovely lady. I extend to her and her fine family my sincere good wishes for the best of health, happiness and success in all her endeavors through many years in the future.

Joseph L. Alioto

Joseph L. Alioto
Mayor

Testimonial Banquet

AND

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Sally B. Famarin

IN HER HONOR

SEPTEMBER 20, 1974

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Who's Who in California

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Sally B. Famarin

cordially invite you to a

Testimonial Banquet & Ball

on the occasion of her selection in

"Who's Who of American Women and Who's Who in California"

to be held on Friday, September 20, 1974 at 7 p. m.
Grand Ballroom, St. Francis Hotel, Union Square
San Francisco, California

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24 September 1974

Mrs. Sally Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, California

Dear Sally,

I would like to congratulate you on the honor that you have received and through you, our people.

I learned of it quite by accident last Friday as I was leaving "Victor's" at the St. Francis Hotel where I had dinner with a few friends. My first impulse was to enter the Hall where the testimonial was being held but chose not to, as not having been invited, it would have been an improper intrusion.

With your example, I am certain that our people in the United States will receive the recognition they have long deserved and earned.

Mabuhay!

Very truly yours,

JOHN H. OSMEÑA

A chat with John Osmeña at the Mabuhay Gardens of San Francisco during the installation of officers of the Cebu Association after the split up.

Cables "JOSMEÑA SAN FRANCISCO"

Sally Famarin in 'Who's Who'; Honored By Friends at S.F. Testimonial Dinner

Close to a hundred friends of Ms Sally Famarin attended the testimonial banquet held at the luxurious St. Francis Hotel last September 20th on the occasion of her being chosen to appear in the publications Who's Who of American Women and Who's Who in California.

Heading the list of distinguished persons who attended the affair were several political leaders in the State of California and the Cities of Oakland and San Francisco.

During the dinner program Ms Famarin also received several awards and citations presented to her by government and civic organizations.

Those who handed the plaques and citations were: Supervisor Peter Tamaras for the City and County of San Francisco; Senator Milton Marks for the State Senate; Assemlyman John Foran for the State Assembly; Consul General Ali Kheradmeh of Iran for the Governor of California; Fredrick Fruend for the San Francisco Board of Realtors; Mr. Rafael Felix for the Philippine Consulate; Ms Nicki Boberg for the Women's Council, National Association of Realtors; Mr. Ronald Cacas for the Mayor of Mandawe City, RP; Mr. Max Peralta for the Mayor of Cebu City, RP; Mr. Celestino Alfafara for the Governor of Cebu Province; and Dr. Leandro Tojong for the Filipino and American Friends of Sally Famarin.

Guest speaker was Councilman Joe Coto of Oakland.

Marin Independent Republic, Oct. 1974

Assembly Resolution

Francisco State Assemblyman John Foran is shown presenting Ms. Famarin a Legislative Resolution congratulating her for being en to appear in the publications "Who's Who of American Women" "Who's Who in California." The presentation was made at the monial Dinner held at the St. Francis Hotel.

State of California

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
SACRAMENTO 95814

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
GOVERNOR

916-445-4571

To the Cebu Association of California, Inc.:

I am pleased to join with your organization and with the Marina Dizon Lodge #81, Caballeros de Dimasalang, in honoring Sally B. Famarin.

Too often, the importance of an individual's public service efforts are not recognized. I commend the contributions which Commissioner Famarin has made to the San Francisco area and the state.

Sincerely,

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor

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Sally Famarin, a prominent leader in the Filipino community and a member of the screening committee on boards and commissions of San Francisco, holds the plaque she received from Cebu Gov. Osmundo Rama "for outstanding leadership achievements of the Filipino community in a foreign country." She and 63 others received awards during the fourth centennary celebration of Cebu last December. She was the lone awardee from abroad.

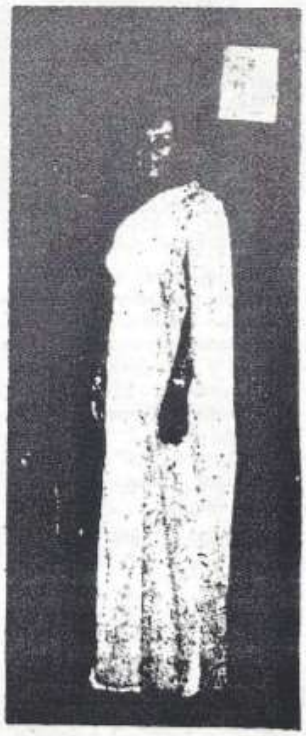
Recognition Award For Sally Famarin

A prominent businesswoman in San Francisco, who is a native of Mandaue City, Philippines, was chosen awardee in recognition of her achievements in leadership in the Filipino community in a foreign country during the Fourth Centennary Celebration of the Province of Cebu last December 15 in the Philippines.

Ms. Famarin, a realtor in San Francisco, is an active civic and political leader. She was the co-chairperson of the Filipinos for Moscone for Mayor during the last mayoral election; and presently sits on the Mayor's Screening Committee on boards and commissions.

An alumnus of the University of Southern Philippines (formerly Southern College), Ms. Famarin will soon be featured in 107 leading newspapers and magazines in North America, Europe, Latin America, Carribean, Mid-East, Africa, and Australia.

All her achievements were featured in biographicals: Who's Who in American Women, ninth and tenth edition; Who's Who of the Golden State, 1974 edition; Dictionary of International Biography, Cambridge, England; 1975 Year Book, Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines; and Notable Americans of the Bicentennial Era, 1975 edition.



COMMISSIONER
SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN
Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board
City Planning Department

The first Filipino to hold three important positions in the City and County of San Francisco, California. She is now serving on Mayor Moscone's screening committee on boards and commissions, Advisory Board of Child Health and Disability Prevention and Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. She is affiliated with:

California Real Estate Association
National Association of Realtors
San Francisco Board of Realtors
The International Platform Association (Founded by Daniel Webster in 1893)

The first Filipino woman REALTOR in California and the first Filipino featured in the following biographies:

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Notable Americans of the Bicentennial Era

The only awardee from the United States during the Fourth Centennary celebration of Cebu, Republic of the Philippines. Sally is also the first woman given the highest honor by the people of Mandue City and its officials in January 1975 for her outstanding leadership and professional achievements.

In August 1975 she was awarded the most successful woman in Mandaue City, Philippines. In September 1974, the California State Legislature presented her a Resolution for exemplary leadership, professional achievements and political involvement. She was twice awarded with a certificate of honor by the Board of Supervisors, City and County of San Francisco for her leadership in the community and being Founder and President Emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. for the veneration of the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States, a cultural tradition which fosters respect and understanding between the Philippines and the United States.

A Testimonial Banquet will be tendered in her honor by the Cebu Association of California, Inc. and the Marina Dizon Lodge No. 81, Caballeros de Dimasalang at the Crystal Ballroom, San Franciscan Hotel, Civic Center, in San Francisco on August 7, 1976.

Cocktails at 6 p.m.; Dinner at 7 p.m.

Music by Johnny Rojo and his Orchestra. Donation: $11:00 per person.

For reservations, call: Chairperson Angie Garcia 239-5058, or Co-Chairperson Ray White 863-0946.

Testimonial

Banquet & Ball

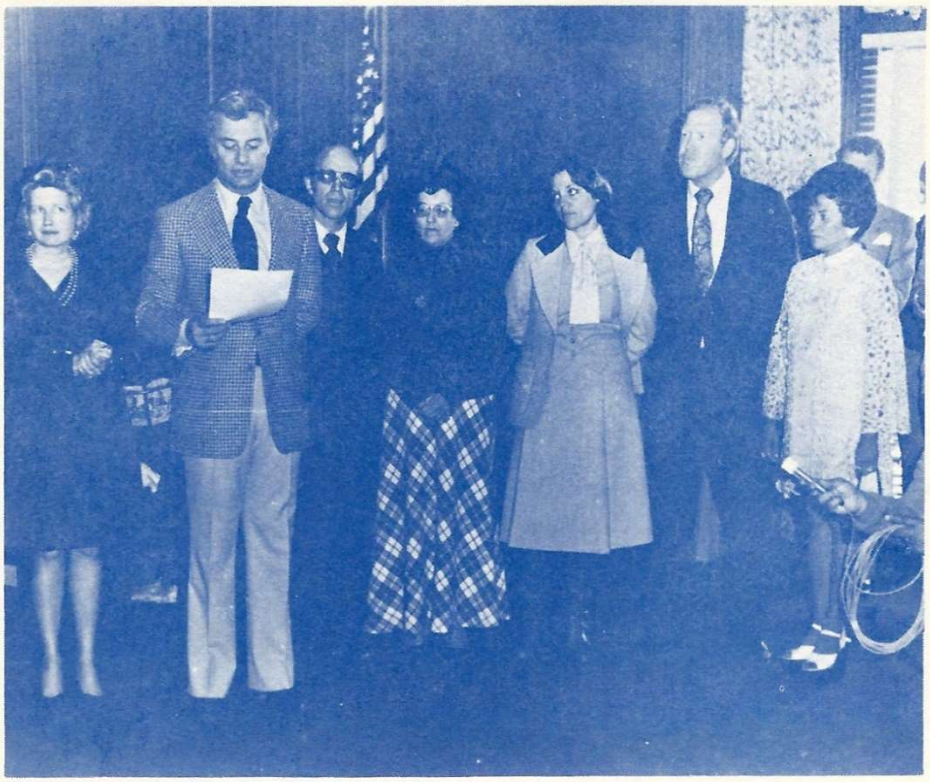
honoring

Commissioner Sally Basiga Famarin

August 7, 1976

San Franciscan Hotel, PSA, Civic Center

San Francisco, California



Commissioner Sally B. Famarin with her colleagues of the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board — Department of City Planning, being sworn in by the Honorable George R. Moscone, Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco.

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Who's Who in Finance and Industry, U. S. A.

Honorable Bob Mendelsohn presenting the Certificate of Honor from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to Commissioner Sally B. Famarin as Founder, President Emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, Inc., for the veneration of the Santo Niño de Cebu in the United States.

Calle de Cebu, a landmark for the Cebuanos in Salinas; Commissioner Sally B. Famarin admiring the cross street HACIENDA, brought to the attention of the Cebu delegation by the Honorable Romeo Arguelles, Consul General of the Philippines, as everyone smiles. In photo:
Delfin Cruz, Editor, Salinas Mail, Consul General Arguelles, Pepe Quebec, President, Filipino Community, Salinas, Mrs. Borres, Miss Rhea Borres, Mrs. Estelle Ben, Commissioner Sally B. Famarin, Mayor Eulogio Borres of Cebu City, Philippines and Jose Mendoza, community leader in Salinas.

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Commissioner Sally B. Famarin with former Supervisor Jack Morrison, Chairman of Mayor Moscone's screening committee on Boards and Commissions in San Francisco during the Fiesta of the Santo Niño de Cebu and Luz G. Pozon, Recording Secretary, Cebu Association of California, Incorporated; the original sponsor of the Santo Niño de Cebu Fiesta in San Francisco, California, U. S. A.

Commissioner Sally B. Famarin chats with Honorable Henry Hibino, Mayor of Salinas and with Councilman John Vondracek, co-chairman of Salinas Sister City Committee during the tour in Salinas City Hall of the delegation headed by Mayor Eulogio Borres of Cebu City, the sister city of Salinas.

With John Vondracek

With Judge Lee Vavaris

Famarin honored by state officals

California state and city officials paid tribute recently to the outstanding achievements and professional leadership of Commissioner Sally B. Famarin, the first Filipino to hold three important positions in the city and county of San Francisco.

No less than President Ford commended the commissioner for her "outstanding dedication to the well-being and advancement of your fellow citizens, as well as those of Filipino descent."

The presidential message was presented to her by Superior Court Judge Lee Vavaris during a testimonial dinner and ball at the San Franciscan hotel.

California Gov. Edmund G. Brown noted that "too often, the importance of an individual's public service efforts are not recognized. I commend the contributions which Commissioner Famarin has made to the San Francisco area and the state."

Lt. Gov. Mervyn Dymally said Famarin "is certainly a credit to Cebu (her home province) as well as the state of California. She has shown unbounding energy and dedication in helping others."

Philippine News WEEK OF MAY 7-13, 1977

Memorial Plate Award

San Francisco Landmarks Commissioner Sally B. Famarin was recently presented with the Historical Plate Award during the inaugural dinner-dance of the officers of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. at the Mabuhay Gardens in San Francisco. The plate photo shows George Washington crossing the Delaware. The inscriptions read: "The Memorial Plate by Robert C. Howe is dedicated to Commissioner Sally Basiga Famarin as a 'Patriot of the United States of America.' " Atty. Bruce Zagaris of San Francisco is shown presenting the memorial plate to Commissioner Famarin.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

CITY OF MANDAUE

(ZIP 6433)

Office of the Mayor

Tel. No. 8-16-21 Local 07 or 8-14-25

G R E E T I N G S

On behalf of the people of Mandaue City whom I am privileged to represent, I am conveying our felicitations to Commissioner Sally B. Famarin for her achievements, and for the honor she rightfully deserves.

Our pride in her outstanding endeavors beggars description, that the small dot in the map that is Mandaue City has been magnified a thousand-fold in the hearts of her fellow-Mandauehanons!

May Commissioner Sally B. Famarin continue to count God's boundless blessings for the good of her native City of Mandaue and the Philippines, and for the sustained greatness of her great adopted country, the United States of America!

City of Mandaue, Republic of the Philippines, July 14, 1976.

DEMETRIO M. CORTES
City Mayor

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 2, 1976

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

President Ford welcomes this opportunity to join your friends and colleagues in extending warm greetings on the occasion of the banquet and ball to be held in your honor by the CEBU Association of California, Inc., and the Marina Dizon Lodge #81, Caballeros de Dimasalang.

Your outstanding dedication to the well-being and advancement of your fellow citizens, as well as all those of Filipino decent, is highly praiseworthy. Our friends from the Philippines have indeed added a special warmth and richness to our way of life, and the President commends you for helping to share the contributions of your heritage. The enclosed photograph comes to you with President Ford's congratulations and his very best wishes for continued success in you endeavors.

Sincerely,

Eliska Hasek

Eliska Hasek
Director
Office of Presidential Messages

To Sally Famarin
With best wishes,

Gerald R. Ford

SPEECH OF VICE CONSUL ROMULO M. VILLAMIL BEFORE THE CEBU ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC. AT THE SAN FRANCISCAN HOTEL ON 7 AUGUST.1976

Consul General Arguelles, because of his high esteem and respect for the officers and members of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. and the Marina Dixon Lodge No. 81, Caballeros de Dimasalang and our honoree, Commissioner Sally Famarin, has instructed me to inform you that he is coming to join us later tonight in paying tribute to a great lady.

Consul General Arguelles has also instructed me to read to you his brief message. He may not be physically present at this moment but his spirit is with us. I would like now to proceed to read the Consul General's message.

"On behalf of the Philippine Consulate General in San. Francisco, I extend sincere greetings to Commissioner Sally Famarin and all those in attendance to this Testimonial Dinner."

"During the brief period that I have met and known Commissioner Famarin, I have learned to respect her ability and good sense that she has brought to her numerous endeavors. As a leader of the Filipino-American Community here in San Francisco, she has demonstrated courage and vision. Whether at the conference table, in private meetings, or on the platform, her measured words have always produced a keen respect for her wishes and warm human understanding."

"It is to Commissioner Famarin, your first president, that you owe the existence of your association. She was the founder, she has labored so hard for the success of the projects of your association. Her interest in your group has never wavered. She has been the guiding hand throughout those vital and formative years. She has been an effective force in the growth of your association. To all of you, she has given her heart and she received in return your boundless admiration and affection. This testimonial is a fitting tribute to her."

"Commissioner Famarin's deeds speak far better than anything I can say. She has devoted herself unselfishly to a host of humanitarian and public services. Her activities have been extensive it would almost seem, that one lifetime could not encompass them all."

"To me, it is not the years a man or woman lived, but how much he or she has accomplished that indicates his or her usefulness. Commissioner Famarin is living a full life and is blessed with an irrepressible spirit and dynamic energy, transmitting her powers to others. The Filipino-American community is proud of her. I am happy to join with all of you and her many good friends in San Francisco and the Bay Area in paying tribute to Commissioner Famarin this evening."

"More power to her."

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO

GEORGE R. MOSCONE

Greetings

On behalf of the people of the City and County of San Francisco, it is a privilege and an honor for me to extend my very warm greetings and congratulations to Commissioner Salley Basiga Famarin, on the occasion of a testimonial banquet in her honor sponsored by the Cebu Association of California, Inc, and the Marina Dizon Lodge, no. 81, Caballeros de Dimsalang, this evening, August 7, 1976.

It would be an understatement to say that Commissioner Famarin has made extraordinary civic contributions, both to the Filipino community and to San Francisco as a whole. Her distinguished work on the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, the Advisory Board of Child Health and Disability Prevention have notably enriched the quality of life in our City. Commissioner Famarin's active involvement with a multitude of projects and programs in the Filipino community--including the fact that she was the only awardee from the United States during the Fourth Centennary celebration of Cebus, Republic of the Philippines-- have played a major role in the enduring strength of that community in our City.

At a time when San Francisco is relying more and more on the initiative, resources and energies of its citizens, the sterling contributions made by Commissioner Sally Basiga Famarin stand out as an inspiration to us all. Again, it is a pleasure for me to join with all those who gathered to salute Commissioner Famarin on the occasion of her testimonial dinner, and for her many years of truly distinguished service to our City.

George R. Moscone

George R. Moscone
Mayor

THE FAMARIN FAMILY

and

FILIPINO - AMERICAN FRIENDS

cordially invite you to a

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

in honor of

COMMISSIONER SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN

to be held

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1978

Cathedral Hill, Jack Tar Hotel

Van Ness Avenue and Geary

San Francisco, California

No Host Cocktails — 6:30 p.m.

Dinner — 7:30 p.m.

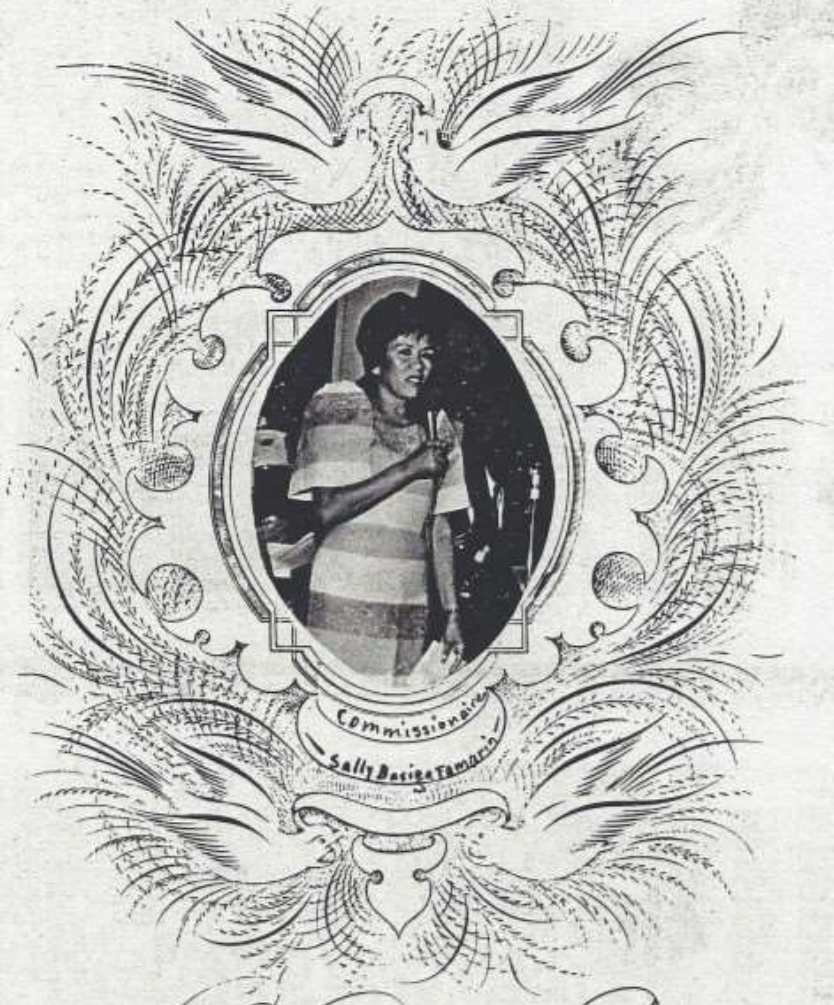
R.S.V.P.

Before October 31, 1978

Mike Magdaluyo (FYCC) 391-5800

or 731-7361

Testimonial of appreciation Honor and Recognition,
Presented to Commissionaire Sally Basiga Famarin.



On Her Happy birthday, November 11, 1978

Commissionaire Famarin is a real humanitarian, for She believed that in making the world better nobler and happier is the noblest work of man or woman. She expects to pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that she can do, or any kindness that she can show to any fellow creature, let her do it now. Don't let her defer or neglect it for she shall not pass this way again

With profound sincerity, Happy Birthday!

From — Bete Bros. Ambrose & Eddie —

The Municipal Court

San Francisco, California

RONALD E. QUIDACHAY, JUDGE

1984

Dear Sally Famarin:

Congratulations on your 25 th Anniversary as the First Filipino Woman Realtor in California and for your 33 years of continued service to the Community.

Your pioneering spirit and efforts in the business world, religion, politics ,civic affairs and family during the past three decades has strengthened the foundations in all fields and set the cornerstone in many.

It is indeed a pleasure to join with others to honor you on this momentous occasion.

Best Wishes

Ronald E. Quidachay

Judge Ronald E. Quidachay

SUPERVISOR RICHARD D. HONGISTO

May 7, 1984

Congratulations, Sally, on your REALTOR'S SILVER ANNIVERSARY and thank you for your many splendid contributions to your community and our city.

Richard D. Hongisto

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO

DIANNE FEINSTEIN

May 9 1984

Friends of Sally B. Famarin
2207-28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally and Friends:

I am delighted to learn that many of Sally's friends, loved ones and admirers are planning a gala celebration to salute Sally's 25 years of outstanding professional services as a realtor and 33 years of public services to San Francisco.

This is indeed a momentous milestone in Sally's long and dedicated career and on behalf of all San Franciscans, please accept our heartfelt Congratulations and very Best Wishes. You have been a model of exemplary public services, and we are deeply grateful for your commitment to excellence and for your unwavering dedication to the well-being of our entire community.

Have a wonderful Silver Anniversary and thank you, again, for your invaluable efforts to enhance and improve San Francisco's overall quality of life.

Warm personal regards,

Sincerely,

DIANNE FEINSTEIN
MAYOR

DF/ws

THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL

PHILIPPINE CENTER BUILDING
447 SUTTER STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94108
TELEPHONE (415) 433-6666

16 May 1984

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

It is with great pleasure that I join your friends in honoring you as you celebrate your Silver Anniversary as a Realtor and your 33rd year of service to the community.

This is indeed a fine tribute from your friends and colleagues and a reward you richly deserve for your many years of splendid service in the business community and to the people of the state through your active involvement in socio-civic, religious and political activities.

With your very impressive background and long record of fine achievements, I can think of no other woman who would have been a better choice. My very best wishes to you!

Sincerely yours,

Romeo A. Arguelles

ROMEO A. ARGUELLES
Consul General

Room 235 • City Hall • San Francisco, California 94102 • (415) 558-5015

Member
Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco

NANCY G. WALKER

May 16, 1984

Friends of Sally Famarin
2207 Twenty-eighth Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Friends,

I am happy to write this letter for Ms. Sally B. Famarin on the occasion of her Realtors Silver Anniversary.

Ms. Famarin is a great asset to the Filipino community and to the City and County of San Francisco. Her extensive list of affiliations and community involvement attest to her belief and commitment in making San Francisco a better place to live.

We are lucky to have Ms. Famarin's input on various projects and activities. Her rich experience has made a difference to the people of San Francisco.

My congratulations to Ms. Famarin and best wishes in the future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Nancy G. Walker

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Member
Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco

LOUISE H. RENNE

May 17, 1984

Friends of Sally Famarin
2207 Twenty-eight Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I write to congratulate Sally Basiga Famarin on the occasion of her Realtors Silver Anniversary celebration held in conjunction with her 33 years of service to the community.

Sally Famarin has been an outstanding citizen of San Francisco. Successful in her business career, Sally was the first Filipino woman realtor in California. Actively involved in many civic, social, religious and political activities, Sally has contributed much to the life and well-being of San Francisco.

It is a great pleasure for me to join with so many others in saluting Sally Famarin. Sally, you are one terrific lady!

Sincerely,

Louise H. Renne

Louise H. Renne
Member, SF Board of Supervisors

State of California
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
SACRAMENTO 95814

GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN
GOVERNOR

TELEPHONE
(916) 445-2841

May 21, 1984

TO: SALLY FAMARIN

It gives me pleasure to convey my regards as you are honored by your friends.

America has long been a land of hope and opportunity, and people from the Philippines have come to her in search of a better life. In turn, through hard work and determination, Filipino-Americans like you have contributed greatly to our society. Your professional success and your many civic endeavors, such as with the Cebu Association, have earned you widespread respect and admiration.

I commend your efforts and offer my best wishes.

Most cordially,

George Deukmejian

George Deukmejian

California Senate

Rules Committee Resolution

By Senator John F. Foran

RELATIVE TO COMMENDING SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN

WHEREAS, Sally Basiga Famarin, a distinguished California business and civic leader, is celebrating her Realtors Silver Anniversary, and, in recognition of her exemplary record of professional and volunteer service, is deserving of special honors and highest commendations; and

WHEREAS, Sally Famarin, the first Filipino woman realtor in California, has served the business community as United Homes Realty and Famarin Realty, and as a notary public, insurance executive, travel consultant, and rest home operator; and

WHEREAS, Her business affiliations include the National Association of Realtors, National Historic Preservations, the International Platform Association, the National Salesman's Association, the American Society of Notaries, the California Association of Real Estate Brokers, the San Francisco Board of Realtors, and the Multiple Listing Service of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, An intrepid and distinguished civic leader, she has spearheaded the Cebu Association of California, also known as Santo Nino de Cebu Association International, and has organized chapters and affiliates in different parts of the world; as a religious leader, she has provided leadership to the annual Filipino Fiesta of Santo Nino de Cebu in San Francisco; she is also the Executive Director and one of the donors in the construction of the Santo Nino de Cebu Shrine in the United States, which is now on the National Register of Cultural and Historical Places by the U.S. Department of Interior; and

WHEREAS, Her civic involvement has been proven for the past 33 years in her accomplishments in community projects to the benefit of all San Franciscans; she has served on Mayor Moscone's screening committee on boards and commissions, child health and disability prevention, and Landmarks Preservation Commission, and she was one of the organizing members of the South of Market Alliance; and

WHEREAS, Her achievements and accomplishments have been featured in 33 U.S. and World Biographicals, including "Who's Who in California," "Who's Who of America Women," "World Who's Who of Women," "Who's Who in Finance and Industry," "International Who's Who in Community Service," "International Biography," "International Who's Who of Intellectuals," "Contemporary Personalities," and "Community Leaders of the World"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, That the Members take great pleasure in honoring and commending Sally Basiga Famarin on her illustrious record of business and civic leadership and responsibility, and extend best wishes for continued success in her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitably prepared copy of this resolution be transmitted to Sally Basiga Famarin.

Senate Rules Committee Resolution No. 2753 adopted May 21, 1984

David Roberti
CHAIRMAN

John Francis Foran
SENATOR – 8TH DISTRICT

SEAL OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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21 May 1984

Sally Famarin
Friends of Sally Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally,

Congratulations on the celebration of your Realtors Silver Anniversary!

In thirty-three years you have established a list of credits and accomplishments that I'm sure would be the envy of even the most successful businesspersons. As you well know, the annual Fiesta of the Santo Niño de Cebu, which you helped to initiate, is one of my favorite events.

I wish you the best of luck in attaining future goals, and look forward to attending your celebration in June.

Again, congratulations.

Sincerely,

Carol Ruth Silver

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The Municipal Court
San Francisco, California

ALFRED G. CHIANTELLI, JUDGE

May 22, 1984

Friends of Sally B. Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

Congratulations! I join your many friends in commemorating your Realtor's Silver Anniversary.

San Francisco has benefited from your tremendous energy in your social, civic, religious and political activities.

Sincerely,

Alfred G. Chiantelli

Alfred G. Chiantelli,
Judge

AGC/el

City and County of San Francisco **Recreation and Park Department**

May 22, 1984

"Friends of Sally B. Famarin"
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that we salute Sally Famarin on the occasion of her Silver Anniversary as a Realtor in California.

Mrs. Sally Famarin has been a frequent visitor to the Permits and Reservation Section of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department over the years as she arranged the details of permits for various civic celebrations conducted in Civic Center Plaza and in other city parks and squares.

We wish Mrs. Famarin many years of happiness in the future. Sally Famarin is a living example of how one can be happy in the service of others.

Sincerely yours,

Leonard Fitzpatrick
Asst. Superintendent of Recreation

Bernice Rodgers
Asst. Recreation Supervisor

LF:lrc

McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park San Francisco 94117

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

ARLO SMITH
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

SAN FRANCISCO

880 BRYANT STREET, SAN FRANCISCO 94103 TEL. (415) 553-1752

May 23rd, 1984

Heartfelt congratulations to Sally Famarin on the occasion of her Realtor's Silver Anniversary and her 33 years of community service.

This event is truly a celebration of Sally's ability to combine a successful business career and such total civic involvement that her community work is almost a full-time career. I would like to add my deep appreciation for her efforts on behalf of a wide range of community concerns in the area of crime prevention.

As the first Filipino woman realtor in the State of California, Sally's successful business career has given her a busy schedule yet she always has found the time for civic activities such as the City's Landmarks Preservation Commission and the South of Market Alliance as well as religious activities such as spearheading the Cebu Association of California (Santo Nino de Cebu Association International).

Above all, Sally Famarin is a San Franciscan who is dedicated to actively working for the improvement of life in our city. I am very pleased to be a member of the Executive Committee of the Friends of Sally Famarin.

Arlo Smith

MAX C. PERALTA
Grand Master

Col. STEVE M. SADANG, Ph.D.
Grand Secretary-Treasurer

ESTHER GALVAN
Asst. Grand Sec.-Treas.

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

GRAND LODGE OFFICE
Caballeros de Dimas-Alang, Inc.

(Incorporated January 22, 1921)

805 KEARNY STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94108
(415) 564-7579

821 Judah Street,S.F.,CA94122

June 1, 1984

Ms. Sally Basiga Famarin
1207 Twenty eighth Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally and Friends:

I am indeed deeply honored to be given this opportunity to extend my sincerst, and of the CABALLEROS DE DIMASALANG'S greetings and congratulations for your Realtors' Silver anniversary.

We are very appreciative of your most active role in the social, cultural, religious and economic well-being and upliftment of the Filipino-Americans and of the entire populace in the community, state and Nation.

May I pray for your continued success in all aspects of human endeavor and may God, the Almighty, bless you for more years of loyal and active service to HIM, Country, People and Government!

Very sincerely yours,

E. STEVE M. SADANG

QUENTIN L. KOPP
Board of Supervisors
City and County of San Francisco

CITY HALL
San Francisco CA 94102
Telephone 558-2338 and 981-0245

June 1, 1984

Ms. Sally B. Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

I am pleased and honored to have this opportunity to congratulate you on the auspicious occasion of your Realtors Silver Anniversary.

Your contributions to the business, civic and religious communities in San Francisco testify to your ingenuity, spirit and personal integrity.

Your sterling achievements as a realtor, political activist, and mother are to be commended. Your distinguished service on behalf of Filipino-Americans and your unstinting dedication to furthering the development of the Cebu Association have enriched the lives of many in this city.

It is with profound respect and admiration that I extend to you my sincere best wishes for continued accomplishments and fulfillment in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely yours,

Quentin

QUENTIN L. KOPP

QLK:mad

JOHN R. LAURICELLA
ATTORNEY AT LAW
690 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1400
SAN FRANCISCO 94104
(415) 986-5200

June 5, 1984

John Lauricella, Esquire
San Francisco

Friends of Sally Basiga Famarin
2207 Twenty eighth Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Friends:

I am deeply honored to be allowed to extend my sincerest greetings and congratulations to Sally Basiga Famarin on the occasion of her Realtors Silver Anniversary.

I have always known Ms. Famarin to be a highly intelligent, motivated and dedicated individual who has selflessly contributed her attributes to the Catholic Church, to the State and to the Democratic Party.

I wish her continued success in all of her endeavors.

Sincerely,

John R. Lauricella

The Municipal Court

San Francisco, California

INA LEVIN GYEMANT, JUDGE

June 6, 1984

Friends of Sally B. Famarin
2207 28th Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Sally and Friends,

I am delighted to join your friends in celebrating your Realtors Silver Anniversary.

You have been an inspiration not only in the Filipino community, but you have also been a model for all women to follow.

Your distinguished career speaks for itself. Your dedication to the community has been outstanding and we have all benefitted from your hard work.

All my best wishes to you on your Silver Anniversary.

Warm regards,

Ina Gyemant

Ina Levin Gyemant,
Judge

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June 11, 1984

Dear Sally,

Congratulations on your Silver Jubilee anniversary as a realtor!

I, and the South of Market Alliance wish to thank you also for your thirty three years of service to our community. You are a model to our young Filipinas who look for role models of both professional women and mothers. Your efforts to organize the annual parade in honor of Santo Nino de Cebu have inspired many in our community with not only religious fervor, but with a sense of the heritage of the Filipino people.

I am pleased that you are being honored on this special occasion, and am happy to add my name to the long list of your friends.

Sincerely,

Isabel Ugat
For the Alliance

Isabel Ugat

Thank you for lending your name in the formation of the South of Market alliance.

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June 13, 1984

It is a distinct pleasure to be a part of Sally Famarin's 25th anniversary celebration of her work as a realtor.

The one word that comes to mind when I think of Sally Famarin is "class." In her myriad of activities she has always given that extra effort to make sure that her name is only associated with activities she can take pride in.

In business, Sally's class has meant a high degree of professionalism that means the Filipino community can be proud she was California's first Filipino realtor.

In her leadership role as a Filipino-American, she has never waited for others to take the initiative. Watching the energy she has put into making Fiestas - one of San Francisco's premiere cultural events - has shown me a rare sense of pride in the history of her people, her family, her church, and the beautiful Filipino-American community of San Francisco.

For those of us honoring Sally the place where her class has meant the most is in her personal relationships. To be Sally's friend is to have someone you know you can count on, who will always make you proud. So many of us owe so much to this remarkable woman.

In honoring her we are expresssing not only our pride in her, but also in the values she represents, which are so strong among Filipino-Americans. She deserves all the praise we can give her, for her work, her giving of herself, and her friendship.

Harry Britt
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Friends of Sally Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
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August, 1984

Dear Friends of Sally Famarin:

I am please to join you in honoring Sally Famarin's Silver Anniversary as a realtor in conjunction with her 33 years of service to the community!

I have known Ms. Famarin for several years. In that time, I have come to admire her for her energy, her commitment to serving others and her perserverance.

She has established a distinguished track record in San Francisco as a Commissioner on the San Francisco Commission on Historic Preservation, as the Founder, President Emeritus, and World Emmissary for the Santo Nino de Cebu Association and as the first Filipino woman Supervisorial candidate in San Francisco History.

Please convey my heartiest congratulations to this outstanding San Franciscan. And wish her my best for many, many more years of success!

Sincerely,

ART AGNOS

Community honors first Filipina realtor

SAN FRANCISCO—One of the pioneer women in the field of real estate was honored recently for her almost 33 years of community service.

Sally B. Famarin was the recipient of praise from government dignitaries and community leaders for her activities as a community leader and for being the first Filipina realtor in California. The occassion was held in the Hall of Flowers in San Francisco's Golden Gate park.

A state resolution honoring her contributions was introduced by Sen. Milton Marks and John Foran.

A Sally Famarin Scholarship Foundation was established by the same group that hosted the banquet, Friends of Sally Famarin, announced District Attorney Arlo Smith.

The two main guest speakers were Assemblyman Art Agnos and Municipal Court Judge Ina Gyemant.

She received a pendant necklace of valuable stones from S.S. Supervisor Harry Britt.

Acknowledgements of her community activities came from across the ocean from Msgr. Virgilio Yap of Mandaue City and the Mandaue City Council.

Cebu Governor Eduardo Gullas and Mandaue City Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes also sent congratulatory messages.

Judge Ronald Quidachay delivered the message of San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein.

Gov. George Deukmejian was represented by community relations officer John McCarthy and Filipino community liaison Fred Bautista.

Famarin also received commendations from Commissioner Anne Sabiniano of San Francisco, who also read the message of Assemblyman Louis Papan.

Other state commisioners who were also present were Georgia Megue and Charito Benipayo.

Prior to the banquet a mass for the Santo Nino de Cebu was celebrated by Rev. Benjamin Sargent, Rev. Bob Pepito from Cebu and Msgr. Virgilio Yap of Gethsemane parish of Mandaue City.

Rev. Sargent also imparted the Papal Blessing from Pope John Paul II honoring for her intentions to help the Pope "serve God's people throughout the world."

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WHO IS WHO AMONG FILIPINO-AMERICANS

Edited by NICK G. BENOZA

(Filipino-American community leaders in the United States — whose number steadily increases — are zealously and unselfishly doing outstanding achievements that bring countless benefits to both their compatriots and their adopted country. These leaders ceaselessly work behind scenes for the betterment of their respective communities and thus contribute, in their own humble ways, to the growth of this great American society. While Filipino-Americans comprise only a fraction of the American society, their leaders deserve the same recognition as their Caucasian counterparts. For they, too, like the many races that comprise the For they, too, like the many races that comprise the American society, give their own share in helping make this the great country that it is today.

As a public service feature, PHILIPPINE NEWS is featuring this regular weekly section "WHO IS WHO AMONG FILIPINO-AMERICANS" devoted to the Filipino community leaders. This section aims at bringing into public focus their individual achievements and labours in the hope that they will serve as examples for others, particularly the young generation of Filipino-Americans, to emulate. These biographies will later be compiled and published into a book under the same title.

In presenting their capsule biographies, we are following a first-come first-served basis, not on priorities for the individual. Our readers are invited to submit the names of Filipino-American leaders whose biographies they think will deserve to be featured in this section. — The Editor)

Sally B. Atkinson

ON THE distaff side of community service, it is heartening to note that within the expanding sphere of the Filipino-American circle in San Francisco more and more women are getting themselves involved deeply in various undertakings that contribute, in no small way, to the benefit of the community. It is amazing to see these women, mostly matrons, go about their activities and one wonders how they could manage to divide their time between the home, their careers and the community.

Sally (Soledad) Basiga-Atkinson (formerly Mrs. Famarin) is one example of today's Filipino-American matrons who zealously serve their community. As founder and first president of the Cebu Association of California, an affiliate member of the Filipino-American Council of Northern California, of which she is the incumbent auditor, Mrs. Atkinson has been doing a remarkable job.

The daughter of Severo Ranili and Serapia Seno Dabon, Mrs. Atkinson was born on November 11, 1923 in Mandawe City, Cebu. She took her early education in her native town and after graduating from the Cebu Provincial High School, she enrolled at the Southern College in Cebu City. An orator in her school days, she dubbled in prose and poetry and was consistently the valedictorian of her class.

During the war in the Philippines, she formed a drama club and she herself performed on stage. After her marriage, she came on August 19, 1950 to the U.S. where she got drawn to club activites and welfare work. As a member of the Regular Veterans Association Auxiliary (RVAA) Post No. 15 and the Golden Eagle Honor Society Erie No. 1, she did welfare work in veterans hospitals. Later she was elected to responsible offices in these organizations. When her youngest child reached school age, she gave vent to her thirst for further learning by enrolling at the Chamberlain Real Estate School in San Francisco. After obtaining her real estate license, she accepted employment with the House of Homes Realty. This launched her career in the real estate business.

For three years from 1960, Mrs. Atkinson served as president of the Regular Veterans Association Auxiliary. And during that period, she was elected national chief of staff of the same organization, with headquarters in Washington,D.C. And from 1962 to 1964, she served as president of the Golden Eagle Honor Society Erie No. 1, at the same time that she was vice president of the Leonor Rivera Lodge of the Caballeros de Dimas-Alang.

Mrs. Atkinson twice was chairman of the Bataan Day celebration sponsored by the Filipino and American Society of California. She was general chairman during the 25th commemorative anniversary celebration of the Fall of Bataan and Corregidor in San Francisco. That event was considered as the most successful ever held by the Society. For her meritorious service to the Filipino and American Society, she was later presented with an award by Thomas Melon, Chief Administrative Officer of the City of San Francisco.

Earlier, in 1962, during her tenure as president of RVAA, she was the recipient of another award presented by the late Denton Callaway and Ed Melvin, quartermaster of the RVAA Post No. 15, and a certificate of merit from the national president of RVAA in the same year.

On July 2, 1963, Sally, as she is fondly called by friends, opened her own office, doing business as Famarin Realty. This opened new challenges and endeavors for her as she became an active member of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, the California Real Estate Association, the San Francisco Real Estate Board, and the American Society of Notaries. As a result, her office underwent expansion to include facilities for new venture as General Insurance Agent. She is also associated with the Civil Service Employees Insurance Company.

The firm's name was eventually changed to United Homes Realty. Mrs. Atkinson is presently putting shape to a new business venture with her husband, Henry, in different corporations with one big holding company, the Coronet Enterprises, Inc., of which she is secretary-treasurer.

Now serving her third term as president of the Cebu Association, Mrs. Atkinson is working on a fund campaign for a building to house the replica of the Santo Nino de Cebu. It was she who worked so hard to bring the replica to San Francisco.

Now residing at 2286 27th Avenue in San Francisco, California, Mrs. Atkinson is the mother of four children: Sally Ann Famarin Davis, 19; Cathay, 18; Rudy, 16; and Rose Marie Famarin, 14.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY!

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL RING THAT HAS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
THE TERM ITSELF, USUALLY HAS THE CANNOTATION OF SUCCESS, ACCOMPLISHMENT, REACHING A DESIRED PLATEAU IN EITHER BUSINESS, SOCIAL,FAMILY,FRATERNAL,RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL LIFE. OR SOMETIMES AS IN SALLY'S CASE, ALL OF THE ABOVE.

THE LADY HAS SUCH VERVE, VITALITY AND DIRECTNESS OF PURPOSE TOWARDS HER GOALS, IT'S AWE INSPIRING. SHE LEAVE IN HER PATH A LIGHT SO BRIGHT ONLY THE BLIND COULD NOT FOLLOW,AND THEN SHE WILL LEAD BY THE HAND.

WITH THE WORLD THE WAY IT IS TODAY, WE NEED MORE SALLY'S, MANY MANY MORE, AND AS WITH OUR NATURAL RESOURCES WE SHOULD DO ALL IN OUR POWER TO NURTURE AND PRESERVE THIS RARE COMODITY.

IT IS MY MOST FERVENT WISH THAT HER 25TH ANNIVERSARY AS A REALTOR WILL BE ONE OF THE GRANDEST CELEBRATION EVER. AND THAT ,WE, FELLOW-AMERICANS WILL BE BLESSED WITH ANOTHER 25 YEARS OF HER DIRECTION, LEADERSHIP,LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING SHE DISPLAYS IN ALL HER ENDEAVORS.

I WISH THE MOST GLORIOUS AND GRANDEST FELICITATIONS TO YOU, SALLY FAMARIN.

JOHN H.UPSHUR ATKINSON,CEO
HOUSE OF UPSHUR,DIAMOND IMPORTER

JOHN H. ATKINSON

Commissioner Ann Sabiniano presents the Message of California State Assemblyman Louis Papan to Sally during her Silver Anniversary in 1985.

President of the board of City Supervisors John Molinari, City and County of San Francisco presents the Golden Medal Award and Certificate to Sally Famarin.

Basilica del Santo Niño

Augustinian Fathers
P. O. Box 228 Tel. 7-70-42
Cebu City

MESSAGE

In behalf of the National Directorate of the Cofradia del Sto. Niño de Cebu, Philippines, wherein you are an active member, I wish to extend to you my most heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of your Silver Jubilee Celebration as Realtor.

The utilization of your God-given talents not only on civic and religious affairs but even on National business agencies for the uplift of our fellowmen is indeed laudable.

May Our Beloved Señor Santo Niño continue loving you and blessing your altruistic activities.

Cebu City, March 30, 1985

FR. AMBROSIO J. GALINDEZ, OSA
Rector, Basilica del Sto. Niño
National Director, Cofradia
del Sto. Niño de Cebu

MESSAGE

As the first Filipino Woman REALTOR in California, you have set and example to the business world of women in our community.

As a Commissioner of San Francisco Landmarks, you have shown the lofty and high ideals of the Filipino people. In your tireless efforts and hardwork in preserving San Francisco's cultural heritage you have demonstrated your service to the people of San Francisco;

As a mother, you have shown aspirations and a model to your children and our young generations;

In politics, you have played the active role of the Filipinos in this country;

As a community leader, you have spearheaded various projects in different departments forming organizations in various spheres;

As a religious leader of the Santo Niño de Cebu Association International, the leadership you have shown in the propagation and the fiesta celebrations is unmatched and has uplifted the image of the Filipino people in the United States and in other countries.

Your tireless efforts in all your undertakings, we too, salute!

DAISIE V. HARRISON & JOHN HARRISON
Advisory Council, Commission on Aging
HARRISON ENTERPRISES
San Francisco, California

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

CITY OF MANDAUE
(ZIP 6433)

Office of the Mayor

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* MESSAGE *

The Community of Mandaue is indeed privileged to have Mandauehanons who have distinguished themselves in their chosen field of social and economic endeavors in the United States of America and elsewhere in the world.

Among these worthy Mandauehanons is COMMISSIONER SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN who has excelled herself in community service as well as in various economic and cultural undertakings in San Francisco, California, and who, despite her exemplary achievements have shown concern and contributed, in no small measure, for the good and welfare of her beloved Mandaue.

On the occasion of her silver anniversary as realtor, I therefore, convey the sincerest gratitude and warmest felicitations of the Community and that of my own. It is my fervent hope that the years ahead will be accentuated with more laurels of success.

DEMETRIO M. CORTES
City Mayor

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CHRIST OF THE AGONY

GETHSEMANE PARISH

Casuntingan, Mandaue City Cebu * Philippines 6433

MESSAGE

We here in the Parish of Gethsemane in Casuntingan, Mandaue City, joyfully greet MS. SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN in her record achievements as a Realtor as well as her having been a Commissioner of the City and County of San Francisco, California all these years.

Our greetings go with our proud congratulations for her being a Filipina with singular accomplishments in her adopted country of the United States of America.

Our pride also rests on her origins in this Parish of Gethsemane, her home and relations being a part of this community from the foundation of the parish in 1978. We hereby acknowledge her valued support and participation, even from thousands of miles away, in the growth and development of this flock of Christ of the Agony, in the building of our parish church.

May she serves as an exemplar for what one dedicated lady can do for country and fellowman.

May our own prayers add to her drive for greater things in the years ahead.

In Christ of the Agony,

MSGR. VIRGILIO R. YAP, D.P.
Parish Priest

Church of Our Lord of the Agony
Gethsemane Parish
Casuntingan, Mandaue City
Philippines

Dear Sally,

Great achievements require great daring. May I express my admiration for the courage you have shown over the years, against so many odds, not the least of which was your Filipino origin. May this courage continue to grow and bring you greater success.

Happy Silver Anniversary. Like in the Olympics, let's go for the Gold!

Yours truly in the Santo Nino,

MSGR. RODOLFO VILLANUEVA
Dean, San Carlos Seminary College

Santo Nino de Cebu

It started in 1968. Sally had a burning desire to bring the devotion of the Holy Infant Jesus to the Bay Area and have a grand fiesta every year, in January, just like in Cebu. The Santo Nino de Cebu International Association was formed. Bring in the members she did with many fellow Cebuanos.

Success was the impact of the efforts she put out for a memorable and successful fiesta year to year.

During a time there was no technology, no computers, equipped with a typewriter, paper, paste, scissors and pen, every year she spent hours prepping the program to deliver to the printer for the annual fiesta or other events held by the association.

Through the years she sent letters to congressmen, senators, the governor and mayor, city and state officials, and the Presidents of the United States with invites to attend, or for personal messages to celebrate the Santo Nino. Not only did these letters circulate in the US, but also to the mayor and governor of Cebu. They all replied with messages which were included in the Fiesta's program.

The Santo Nino Fiesta received numerous Proclamations as one of the most beautiful celebrations, and recognition of the continuing friendship and outstanding achievements of the Filipino-American community in the City.

All endorsed and applauded the celebration each year, and each year the number of devotees increased.

During the Fiesta, streets in San Francisco were closed to allow the procession and sinulog to take place with the Santo Nino raised above our heads.

19 years later a marble altar was constructed to enthrone the Statue of the Santo Nino inside St. Joseph Church in San Francisco. She authored and endorsed, St Joseph's Church- La Chapella del Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States, a City landmark. Voted unanimously by the San Francisco landmarks board, January 16, 1980 resulting in the construction of the National Shrine of the Filipinos in America and the Marble Altar in St. Joseph's Church. In 1987 the Church became one of the casualties hit by the strong earthquake in the City and later closed its door.

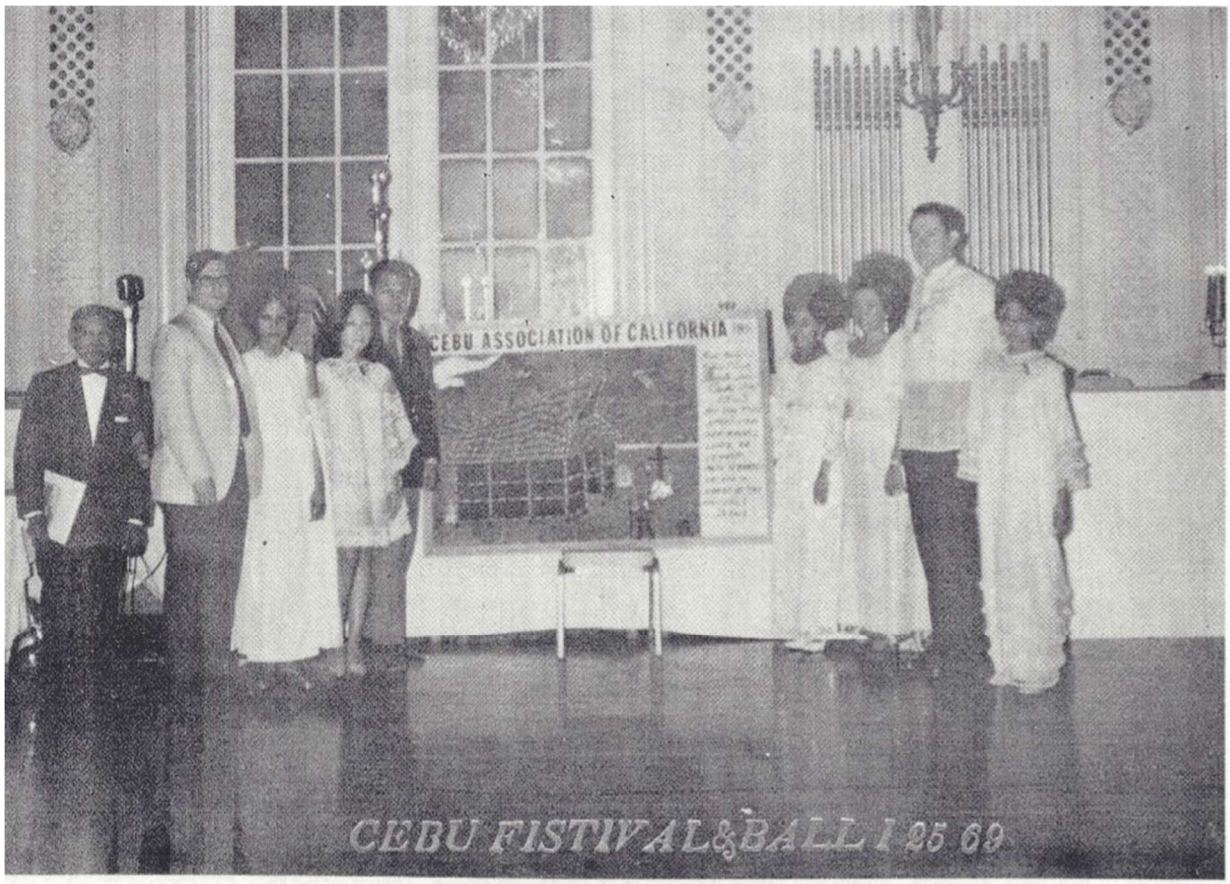
Before doing so, US Congress passed a Resolution in recognition of the Shrine as part of National Registry of Cultural and Historical Places. The Vatican and Pope John Paul II sent an Apostolic Blessing for this accomplishment.

Collaborating with friends and family other chapters were formed in New York, Los Angeles, Germany and Australia just to name a few.

Thank you Santo Nino de Cebu Association International for carrying on your legacy and Sally's legacy. Thank you for keeping the devotion to the beloved Santo Nino alive for 50 years. Thank you to all its members and supporters. She may not be here. I'm sure she is looking down with a big smile and heartfelt love for the Santo Nino de Cebu Association International for carrying on.

Pit Senor!

Throughout the years, there have been numerous greetings, articles, accolades, and photos. Here are a few showing the extent of the celebrations.



Cebu Festival Banquet and Ball at Sheraton Palace in San Francisco in 1969, Mosaic Painting of the first Church, Santo Niño de Cebu in the Philippines painted by Cathay Famarin.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE 1969

It is with pleasure and pride for me to note that the members of the Cebu Association of California, Incorporated, our friends, patrons, associates, and the general public as a whole have taken the initiative to cooperate and have given their whole hearted support to celebrate the "Fiesta of the Infant Jesus of Cebu" for the first time in San Francisco, marking it with the appropriate emphasis it deserves.

I have always prayed that strength and courage be given to all our members and that we will see more clearly not that which divides us, but that which unites us, that each hour may bring us the success we have fought for, and the blessings to build and grow, to meet in harmony and sympathy with our fellow members and friends, and through all these we can plan the future with confidence.

I'm very proud to say that the Cebu Association of California, Incorporated for a very short time of existence, has accomplished so much that we have not even dreamt of. All of this is because of the confidence and support our members and friends have given us.

I hope that all these ideals we have developed in ourselves will keep on in our hearts. Through our courage and nobility we can be assured of our fullest success in the realization of our aims. If we fight for these ideals, the victory achieved by our sacrifices will forever stand in our hearts not only today or tomorrow, but always.

Sincerely,

Sally B. Famarin

President and Founder
Cebu Association of California, Inc.

Philippine NEWS Week of March 6-12, 1969

GUEST OF HONOR at the Santo Niño fiesta celebration of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. was Judge Fitz-Jerald Ames, Sr., presiding judge at the municipal court of the City and County of San Francisco. Judge Ames (right) is shown here at the presidential table with Sally B. Famarin (center), president of the association, and Herbert R. Xregal (left), a Bay Area businessman who acted as master of ceremonies during the affair

Cebu Ass'n Holds Fiesta

SAN FRANCISCO- The Cebu Association of California,Inc. recently celebrated the feast of the Santo Niño(Holy Child), Patron of Cebu, with a grand fiesta held at the Sheraton Hotel here.

The fiesta celebration was highlighted with a banquet and ball.

Guest speaker during the affair was Judge Fitz-Jerald Ames, Jr.,presiding judge of the municipal court of the City & County of San Francisco.

A short program, emceed by Herbert Kregel, opened with an invocation by Rev. Fr. Pedro M.Namok, followed by the playing of the American and Philippine national anthems by the Gaylanders.

Ronald Cacas, Filipino sales manager of Pan American Airways, delivered the welcome address. Ambrosio D.Bolo,general chairman of the affair,introduced the speakers.

Sally Anne Famarin rendered piano selections,followed by the presentation of awards by Homer Troy, proprietor of Troy Trophy Co.Bernardette Yap, public relations officer of the Cebu Association,and John Rodriguez, 1st lieutinant in the army reserve.Response was made by Sally B.Famarin,President of the Cebu Association of California, Inc.

From the Philippines,Msgr.Julio Rosales,D.D.,Archbishop of Cebu,conveyed his congratulations to the Association on its celebration of the Santo Niño fiesta.

The Filipino catholic prelate noted that "devotion to the

CEBU ASSOCIATION HOLDS FIESTA

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Santo Niño or the Holy Child has always been a strong charateristic of the Cebuano people as well as of the Filipinos in general" and that"this was proven during the last 1V Centennial celebration when the whole Filipino populace joined hands and hearts at the solemn Coronation of the Santo Niño de Cebu on April 28,1964.""Today," he urged, "let us hope and pray that this devotion will be bond of love and peace for all of us Filipinos."

Msgr.Rosales expressed gratification "that in such far away country where you are,the flame of your love for the Holy Child still burns brighter than ever." He said that "this is one sure sign that your Christian faith is one that is alive and fervent" and asked that it be keeped ever burning until eternity

ACHIEVEMENTS AWARD—Sally B. Famarin, president of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. receives an achievements award trophy for the success of the association's various activities and for the hard work she has devoted for the growth of the association. Presenting the trophy is Homer Troy of the Troy Trophy Manufacturing Co. The trophy features a symbol of victory with a mounted president's gavel. Presentation was made during the recent Santo Niño fiesta celebration of the Cebu Association held in San Francisco.

From Manila,Sen.Sergio Osmena,Jr., a native of Cebu, joined in greeting the Cebu Association of California,saying that he is "very happy that the annual fiesta celebration of the patron Saint of Cebu City, the Miraculous Santo Niño de Jesus, finds a place in the hearts of Cebuanos residing in the United State,more particularly among the members of the Cebu Association of California,Inc. in San Francisco."

In another message,acting Mayor of Cebu City,Eulogio E.Borres said that he was heartened"to note that the Cebuanos comprising the Association...have seen fit to observe the feast day of our venerated Patron Saint of Cebu City" serving "to prove that our religious faith is of such deep and abiding character as to transcend great distances."

On the other hand, in San FRancisco,Philippine Consul General Sam Sabalones extended his greetings to all Cebuanos within the San Francisco consular area.

The consul general traced the history of the celebration,saying that "traditionally the Santo Niño Fiesta goes back through the pages of history to the time when the image of the Santo Niño was given to the wife of Rajah Humabon by Ferdinand Magellan in 1521."(Next)

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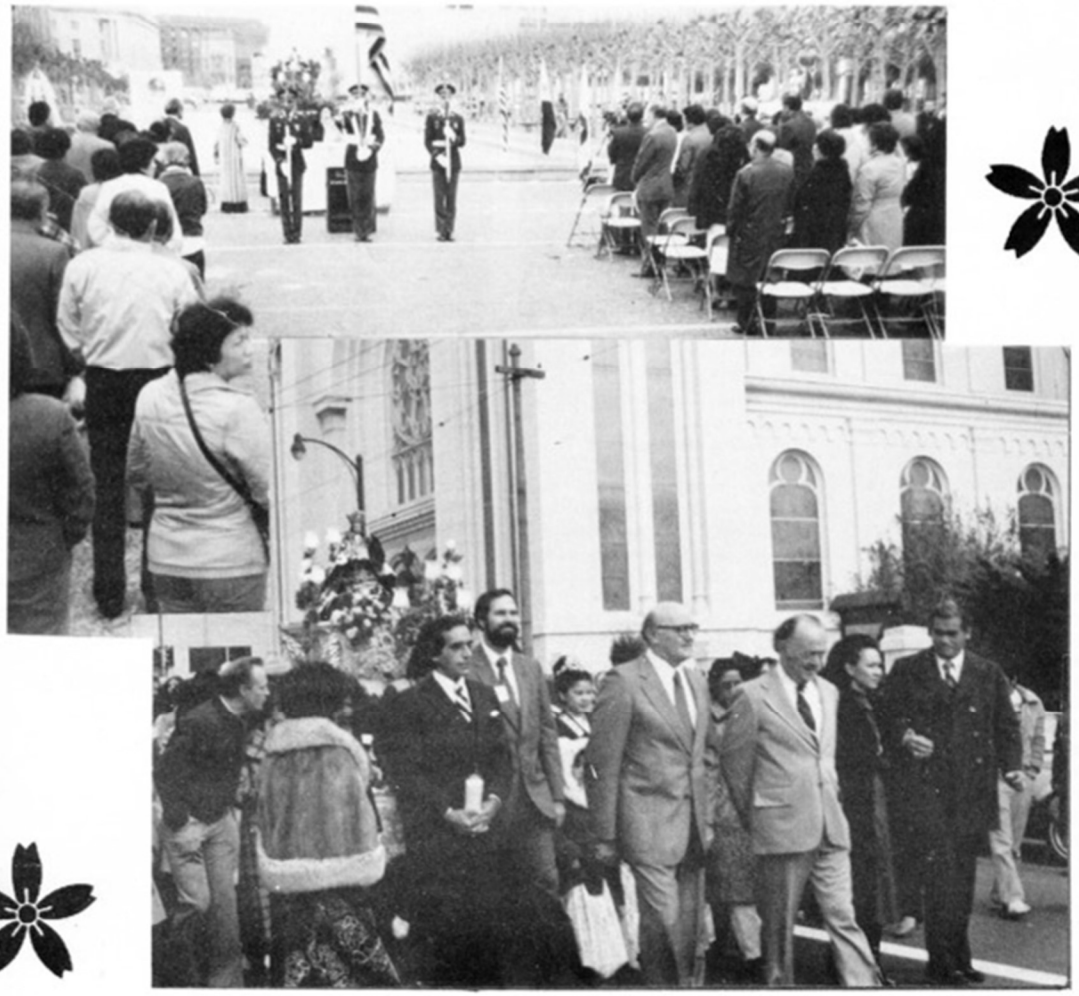
" The religious zeal and piety of the Cebuanos in celebrating this yearly event are carried by them wherever they are, even in this distant land," the Filipino official observed .

He also reminded the Cebuanos "that the true spirit of the Santo Niño is the hope that our salvation is always possible if we practice humility,industry and devotion to the good life in accordance with the teachings of the man who died on the cross."

For her part, Sally B.Famarin, president of the Cebu Association, acknowledged with gratitude the wholehearted support and cooperation of "our friends, patrons, associates and the general public as a whole"extended to the association in marking the event with the appropriate emphasis it deserves."

The charming lady president intimated that she has"always prayed that strength and courage be given to all members and that we will see more clearly not that which divides us, but that which unites us, that each hour may bring us the success we have fought for,and the blessings to build and grow, to meet in harmony and sympathy with our fellow members and friends, and through all these we can plan the future with confidence."



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25 November 1970

To the Members of the Cebu Association of California

Very dear Friends:

The Philippine Islands are highly honored at this time to be the hosts for our Holy Father, Pope Paul VI, on his voyage to the Orient. Just as the Holy Father wishes to bless all those with whom he comes in contact, I, too, wish to send my greetings and my blessing to all the members of the Cebu Association of California.

Wishing you a very successful observance of the Fiesta of the Santo Niño de Cebu, I am

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Joseph T. McGucken
Archbishop of San Francisco

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 2, 1970

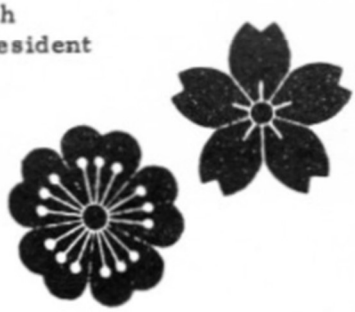
Dear Miss Famarin,

President Nixon sends warm greetings and best wishes to the members of the Cebu Association of California as they celebrate the Third Annual Fiesta of the Santo Niño de Cebu on January 9, 1971.

At a time when America cannot afford to leave undeveloped the talents and abilities of any one citizen, your organization is doing the utmost to bring Americans of Filipino descent to the forefront of responsible citizenship and active participation in our national life. The Filipinos have committed themselves to the highest ideals of our democratic society, and we are indeed proud to know that the spirit of service and Christian dedication continues to characterize your people.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Finch
Counsellor to the President



Miss Sally B. Famarin,
President
Cebu Association of California, Inc.
2390 34th Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116

Cebu Asssociation Holds Induction

SAN FRANCISCO – The Cebu Association of California, Inc. has a ndw president. John H. Atkinson was recently installed as president of the association, succeeding Sally Famarin Atkinson, founder of the association.

Mrs. Atkinson, who served as president for three terms, was conferred the highest title in the association, that of president emeritus.

A 14-karat gold pin, the President Emeritus pin, was presented to her by Larry Marquez, president of Gem Travel Service, Inc.

Mrs. Atkinson was also presented with a silver cup by Dr. and Mrs. Marfori of Cebu City in the Philippines.

John H. Atkinson was installed together with the other new officers at rites held during a recent dinner-ball at the Gold Room of the Civic Center Holiday Inn in San Francisco.

Michael Goodman, an offi cial of Macy's California, wa: the inducting officer.

The other officers who too their oaths are:

Celestino T. Alfafara, se nior vice president; Sally M Ronquillo, junior vice presi dent; Aurelio Robles, corres ponding secretary; Juvencio Alquisola, treasurer; and Fe licitas Simblante, assistant treasurer.

Cebu Ass'n Installation

The new officers of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. were installed recently during a dinner-ball at the Gold Room of the Civic Center Holiday Inn in San Francisco. Upper photo taken during the affair shows (from left) Eddie Gutierrez, Dr. Teodoro Cui, Jr., Larry Marquez, Mrs. Michael Goodman, Michael Goodman (installing officer), John H. Atkinson (newly-installed president), Sally Famarin Atkinson (president emeritus an outgoing president), Mrs. Marfori and Dr. Marfori, and Julia Peters de Jesus. Lower photo shows Larry C. Marquez of Gem Travel presenting the 14-karat gold pin (president emeritus pin) on Sally Famarin Atkinson, outgoing president.

Philippine News – May 20-26, 1971

ROSE MARIE FAMARIN
Queen of Cebu

THOMAS MELLON
... to crown Queen

SALLY B. FAMARIN
... heads association

Sally B.Famarin, General Chairman, Golden Jubilee,Boy Scout of the Philippines, West Coast Region,Banquet and Ball,Fairmont Hotel,San Francisco with Gov Manuel Barreto of Zambales, Philippines,Chairman of the Boy Scout delegation to the United States.

SEN. MILTON MARKS
.. honorary membership award

CONG. LEO McCARTHY
... to present scepter

JOHN H. ATKINSON
... general chairman

Sto Niño de Cebu Fiesta Set Jan. 9 In SF

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Marks will be given an Honorary Membership Award by the Cebu Association. The presentation of the award will be one of the features of the evening.

Congressman Leo McCarthy will present the queen's scepter, with the assistance of Miss Evangeline Adanza, Mardi Gras Queen of the Ladies and Knights of Rizal.

John H. Atkinson, an executive of Macy's California, who is general chairman of the affair, announced that varied activities have been lined up for the enjoyment of the guests.

The fiesta celebration in honor of Santo Niño de Cebu Jan. 9 will be a whole day affair. Cebuanos in the Bay Area have been urged to join the Cebu Association inthis special day in prayers and gaiety in honor of the miraculous Santo Niño de Cebu.

Sally B. Famarin, issued the following:

"We are thankful to all the organizations and business associates, all our friends who have helped us carry on a great program and honored our invitation.

"Everybody is invited to join the Philippine Costume contest wherein the following costumes are to be picked: Most Elegant Terno; Most Exquisit Gown; Most Modern Maria Clara; Best Kimona; and Best Barong Tagalog.

"Judges will be picked from special guests of the evening and shall be announced before the contest starts. During intermissions, prizes for the Queen Contest will be drawn. Door prizes are also slated for the evening. Our beautiful shrine of the Santo Niño de Cebu and Queen Rose Marie I will reign during the celebration. For more information and reservations, call 731-7361."

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Cebu association thanks Sto. Nino feast day supporters

Sally Famarin, founder and president emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, Inc., the other day thanked all those who had extended their support to make the recent celebration of the feast of the Sto. Nino de Cebu in San Francisco a successful affair.

In a press statement, Famarin, speaking in behalf of the association, said that without the cooperation of individuals, particularly the members of the association, and other groups, that success would not have been possible.

"When your heart is near God, nothing in this world is impossible," Famarin said.

Famarin extended the association's special thanks to Mayor George Moscone for proclaiming the third week of January as the "Fiesta of the Sto. Nino de Cebu Week" in San Francisco; Consul General Romeo Arguelles, former Sen. John Osmena, former Cebu Gov. Osmundo Rama, Msgr. Clement McKenna, and Fr. Fred Bitanga of St. Patrick's church, and the five other Filipino priests who officiated in the high mass, Fathers Briccio Omega, Antonio Rey, Albert Bitanggul, Max Villanueva and Henry Hernando.

The Corpus Christi Choir, Judge and Mrs. Lee Vavuris of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Demetrio Jayme, president of the Fil-American Chamber of Commerce in San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Blanco, Sen. and Mrs. Milton Marks, Sally Giles for the floral decorations in the church, Carle and Son Printers, for the flyers, and to all the Filipino newspapers and radio stations in the Bay Area.

Linda Omega is the president of the association, while Mark Tayo Jr. was the chairman of the fiesta executive committee.

Mayor Moscone proclaims Jan. 19-24 Fiesta of Santo Nino de Cebu Week; procession, banquet and ball slated

Mayor George R. Moscone has proclaimed the third week of January (Jan. 19-24) as the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu Week in San Francisco.

The celebration, sponsored by the Cebu Association of California, started last Friday, Jan. 16, with a novena at the St. Patrick's Church.

The religious activities, coordinated by Rev. Fr. Fred Bitanga and Mrs. Saily Basiga Famarin, founder and president emeritus of the association, will end with a high mass to be concelebrated by Filipino priests at 12 noon, Jan. 24, at St. Patrick's Church.

The mass will be followed by a procession of the Miraculous Image of the Santo Nino de Cebu inside the church.

After the church activities, Hermano Vic Puzon and Hermana Luz Puzon, the officers and members of the association will tender a banquet at the church community hall.

On the evening of the same day, the festival queen, Delilah Vidal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Denny Vidal of San Jose, will be crowned by former Cebu Sen. John Osmena at a ball at the Imperial Ballroom of the San Francisco Hilton. Donation is $6 per person.

In his proclamation, Mayor Moscone said the fiesta of Santo Nino de Cebu imparts to every Filipino a sense of belonging to the trait of piety, friendship and hospitality.

"The devotion to the Santo Nino is a means of inspiring the highest values in upholding sacred traditions of Philippine culture and heritage," the mayor said.

He added:

"The fiesta provides a unique and pleasurable opportunity for all San Franciscans to learn about and better appreciate the outstanding contributions to the city and county of San Francisco made by our citizens of Filipino descent.

"The Cebu Association of California dedicated to the promotion of cordial relations between Filipinos and Americans is again observing the fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu this year in San Francisco and intends to do so every year."

President of the association is Linda Omega. Mark Tayo Jr. is the general chairman of the celebration.

Feast of Sto. Nino: Osmena urges fellow Cebuanos to maintain their cultural values

SAN FRANCISCO - Former Sen. John Osmena urged his fellow Cebuanos in the Bay Area Saturday night to be proud of their own cultural values.

The former Filipino legislator addressed members of the Cebu Association of California on the occasion of the feast day of the Sto. Nino de Cebu at the Imperial Ballroom of the San Francisco Hilton. It was the eighth annual fiesta sponsored by the association.

Osmena was introduced by Mrs. Linda Omega, president of the association. His inspirational talk was preceded by the crowning of the fiesta queen, Delilah Vidal, and her court, Lita Sabas, first princess, Miss Liberty, and Marilyn Crisologo, second princess, Miss Peace.

"Filipinos in the United States seem to subscribe no longer to our cultural values," Osmena lamented.

"We must realize that the greatness of America lies in the waves of immigrants who came to this country decades ago and brought with them the cultural values of their countries," he said.

These immigrants, despite the new life that they have found in the United States, have kep their customs and traditions very much alive.

"While we live in another culture and society, it is necessary that we maintain our cultural values," he declared.

See picture opposite page

Assisted by last year's fiesta queen, Cynthia Atienza, Osmena crowned Queen Delilah. Miss Sally Famarin, founder and president emeritus of the association, presented the Life Membership award to the queen.

The celebration started last January 16 with a novena at the St. Patrick's church on Mission. The novena ended with a high mass at noon of Jan. 24, followed by a procession of the Image of the Sto. Nino de Cebu inside the church.

Earlier, Mayor George Moscone declared Jan. 19 through 24 as the Fiesta of the Sto. Nino de Cebu Week in San Francisco.

The Sto. Nino was carried during the procession by Consul General Romeo Arguelles of the Philippine consulate in San Francisco, former Senator Osmena, Eddie Gutierrez and Mark P. Tayo, Jr., general chairman of the celebration.

Seven priests - six Filipinos and an American - officiated in the mass. The celebrants were Msgr. Clement McKenna, pastor of the St. Patrick's church; Fathers Fred Bitanga, assistant pastor; Antonio Rey, Albert Bitanggul, and Max Villanueva, all of San Francisco, and Fathers Henry Hernando, Los Angeles, and Briccio Omega, Oakland.

About 1,000 people attended the mass and later, the luncheon served at the community hall of the church.

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The Image of the Sto. Nino de Cebu is being carried during a procession inside the St. Patrick's church by Consul General Romeo Arguelles of the Philippine consulate in San Francisco, former Sen. John Osmena, Mark P. Tayo Jr. and Eddie Gutierrez. The procession climaxed the religious activities marking the feast of the Sto. Nino last Jan. 24 under the auspices of the Cebu Association of California.

City and County of San Francisco

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PRESENTS THIS

Certificate of Honor

IN APPRECIATIVE PUBLIC RECOGNITION
OF DISTINCTION AND MERIT, TO

Cebu Association of California, Inc.

On the occasion of its sponsorship of the fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in San Francisco for the eighth straight year since its founding in 1968, in recognition of the important part which the Association has played in fostering the spirit of respect and understanding which exists between the Philippine Islands and the United States, and in appreciation for the unique opportunity which the fiesta provides for all Californians to learn more about the outstanding contributions to the State and Nation made by our citizens of Filipino descent.

State of California

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this certificate was duly authorized pursuant to motion adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco at its meeting held on March 29 1976

Quentin L. Kopp
President of the Board

G. H. Dorman
Clerk of the Board

Supervisor Robert H Mendelsohn
Maker of Motion

M E S S A G E

Cordial greetings from the City of Cebu to the officers and members of the Cebu Association of California and the Marina Dizon Lodge #81, Caballeros de Dimasalang, on the occasion of the testimonial banquet in honor of Commissioner Sally Basiga Famarin on August 7 at the Crystal Ballroom, San Franciscan Hotel, PSA, Civic Center, San Francisco.

To the honors that will be bestowed on Commissioner Famarin during the auspicious occasion, I wish to add my own in the name of the City of Cebu. It is difficult to fully chronicle here the achievements of Commissioner Famarin who is the first Filipino to hold three important positions in the City and County of San Francisco, namely, the Mayor's screening committee on boards and commissions, the Advisory Board of Child Health and Disability Prevention and the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. Suffice it to say that the Cebuanos take great pride in her rise to fame and prominence, she being a daughter of Cebu.

My heartiest felicitations to everyone and best wishes for the success of the affair.

City of Cebu, July 6, 1976.

EULOGIO E. BORRES
Mayor, City of Cebu
Philippines

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cebu
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Hon. Eduardo R. Gullas
Provincial Governor

M E S S A G E

Cebuanas filling high and sensitive positions in the Philippine political organization are so common they no longer evoke awe and surprise from Cebuanos. But Cebuanas occupying similar positions in a foreign political body are not so often heard of and any news about them invariably strikes the native of Cebu with awe and pride.

Which was just what I felt when I was informed about Ms. Sally Basiga Famarin, the talented Cebuana who holds three important positions in the City and County of San Francisco, California, U.S.A.

Holding the title of commissioner, Ms. Famarin is one of the few Cebuanas presently filling positions of honor and responsibility in foreign governments, an achievement of which we at home cannot help but feel mighty proud.

The Cebu Association of California, Inc. and the Marina Dizon Lodge No. 81, Caballeros de Dimasalang, therefore, did right when they decided to jointly tender a testimonial banquet in honor of Commissioner Famarin on August 17, 1976. She fully deserves it -- she is entitled to it.

On this special occasion, therefore, I wish to extend to Commissioner Famarin my personal greetings and the good wishes of all Cebuanos at home and I assure her that we all rejoice over the many accomplishments she has achieved which have given greater glory to Cebu and the Cebuanos.

Cebu City, Philippines, July 7, 1976.

EDUARDO R. GULLAS
Governor

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

CITY OF MANDAUE

(ZIP 6433)

Office of the Mayor

Tel. No. 8-16-21 Local 07 or 8-14-25

G R E E T I N G S

On behalf of the people of Mandaue City whom I am privileged to represent, I am conveying our felicitations to Commissioner Sally B. Famarin for her achievements, and for the honor she rightfully deserves.

Our pride in her outstanding endeavors beggars description, that the small dot in the map that is Mandaue City has been magnified a thousand-fold in the hearts of her fellow-Mandauehanons!

May Commissioner Sally B. Famarin continue to count God's boundless blessings for the good of her native City of Mandaue and the Philippines, and for the sustained greatness of her great adopted country, the United States of America!

City of Mandaue, Republic of the Philippines, July 14, 1976.

DEMETRIO M. CORTES
City Mayor

Archdiocese of San Francisco
CHANCERY OFFICE
445 CHURCH STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94114
(Area Code 415) 863-5112

2 December 1976

Mrs. Sally B. Famarin
Cebu Association of California, Inc.
4029 Pacheco Street
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Mrs. Famarin:

I thank you for your letter of November 26. I look forward to the pleasure of offering holy Mass in St. Patrick's Church for the Cebu Association on January 22 of this coming year.

Since this is a Sunday, many demands are being made on us for different functions on Sundays. I am not sure at this moment that I will be able to remain with you at St. Patrick's Church for the program and dinner which is to follow the Mass. If I find that I am free in the afternoon on that date, I will be happy to remain with you and also to say a few words at the dinner.

Asking God to bless your work, I am

Yours sincerely,

Joseph T. McGucken
Archbishop of San Francisco

City and County of San Francisco **Recreation and Park Department**

November 7, 1977

Honorable Sally B. Famarin
Founder and President Emeritus and
World Emmissary of CEBU Association
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Commissioner Famarin:

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I accept the distinguished honor of being named one of the Executive General Chairpersons of the "Santo Nino do Cebu Fiesta."

This momentous occasion, bringing recognition to the many cultural and civic contributions made by the citizens of Filipino descent, is a living inspiration to all of us.

To be a part of this beautiful festival, which has reached the heights of National distinction, is an honor I shall treasure, always.

Best wishes for a most successful and pleasurable event.

Sincerely,

Aldo C. Cima

Aldo C. Cima
Superintendent of Parks

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The Senate, California Legislature

Resolution

OF THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

By Senator John F. Foran

RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING.
THE FIESTA OF THE SANTO NINO de CEBU

WHEREAS, The festival honoring the Santo Nino de Cebu has been recognized as one of the most beautiful in our state and nation and an event of which not only Filipinos but all Americans are proud; and

WHEREAS, The devotion to the Santa Nino is a means of inspiring the highest values and upholding sacred traditions of Philippine culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS, The religious rite, which is the object of pilgrimages for devout people from all walks of life, has gained more meaning and spiritual significance with its celebration in San Francisco, due to the fact that the annual veneration of the Santo Nino de Cebu has erased territorial boundaries and spanned great oceans; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Father Restituto Suarez, O.S.A. Rector of the Basilica del Santo Nino, Cebu City, Republic of the Philippines, has exhibited by his full support and cooperation his recognition that the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States is an outgrowth from the Basilica Minore, Cebu City, Philippines; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Cebu Association of California, Incorporated, have set an excellent example in bringing Americans of Filipino descent to the forefront of responsible citizenship and active participation in our society, and California is enriched by the colorful culture and continued traditions of the Filipino people; and

WHEREAS, Government and ecclesiastical officials in the United States and the Republic of the Philippines have recognized the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu as an important factor in fostering the spirit of respect and understanding which exists between the people of the Philippines and the United States; and

WHEREAS, The State of California appreciates the unique opportunity which the fiesta provides for all Californians to learn more about the outstanding contributions to the state and nation made by our citizens of Filipino descent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, That the Members take great pleasure in recognizing the extraordinary celebration known as the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu and extend sincere best wishes for a most successful and enjoyable event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitably prepared copy of this resolution be transmitted to Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu.

James R. Mills
CHAIRMAN

John F. Foran
SENATOR

6th
DISTRICT

Senate Rules Resolution No. 933 adopted July 1, 1977

Cebu Association fiesta Saturday; Sto. Niño procession outside church

Msgr. Joseph T. McGucken, archibishop of San Francisco, will be the main celebrant of the high mass at the St. Patrick's church at noon of Jan. 22, climaxing the novena which ushered in the celebration of the feast of the Sto. Niño de Cebu by the Cebu Association of California, Inc.

The co-celebrants are Msgr. C.J. McKenna, pastor of St. Patrick's; Rev. Fathers Fred Bitanga, St. Patrick's; Max Villanueva, Holy Angels church; Albert Bitangjol, St. Cecilia's church and spiritual adviser of the association; John Saunderfield, St. Kevin's church, and John Cromlish, Pinole, California.

On the evening of the same day, Mrs. Luz Adanza will be crowned the "Empress of Cebu" by Mayor Moscone at the association's annual fiesta dance at the Jack Tar Hotel. Her court will be composed of Toni Manliclic, first princess, and Chit Rosales, second princess.

The high mass will be followed by a procession of the Sto. Niño de Cebu around the vicinity of the church instead of inside the church as had been the case in previous celebrations.

The procession grand marshalls are Archbishop McGucken, Mayor George Moscone and Consul General Romeo Arguelles of the Philippine consulate general in San Francisco.

Commissioner Sally Famarin of San Francisco calls on Julio Cardinal Rosales in Cebu City. Famarin, who wasin the Philippines recently to fulfill her role as hermana mayor of the Santo Niño fiesta at the Basilica Minore, is shown kissing the ring of Cardinal Rosales while Cebu Mayor Eulogio Borres looks on.

Commissioner Sally Famarin, executive general chairperson of the fiesta and association founder, said she expects about a thousand devotees to attend the celebration.

She said a banquet of Filipino delicacies hosted by association officers and members at the church community hall will follow the procession.

Mayor Moscone had earlier proclaimed Jan. 14-22 as the Fiesta of the Sto. Niño de Cebu Week in San Francisco. In issuing the proclamation, the mayor congratulated the association and its officers for their efforts to foster a spirit of respect and understanding between the peoples of the Philippines and the United States.

The association also has received other messages of congratulation on the same occasion.

From President Marcos: "I welcome this opportunity to greet the members of the Cebu Association of the California on the occasion of their ninth annual fiesta of the Santo Niño de Cebu. This yearly celebration demonstrates the religiosity of the Filipinos in keeping alive the values of their spiritual heritage wherever they may be. I trust that on this occasion they will renew their resolve to further strengthen their unity through awareness of their religious kinship."

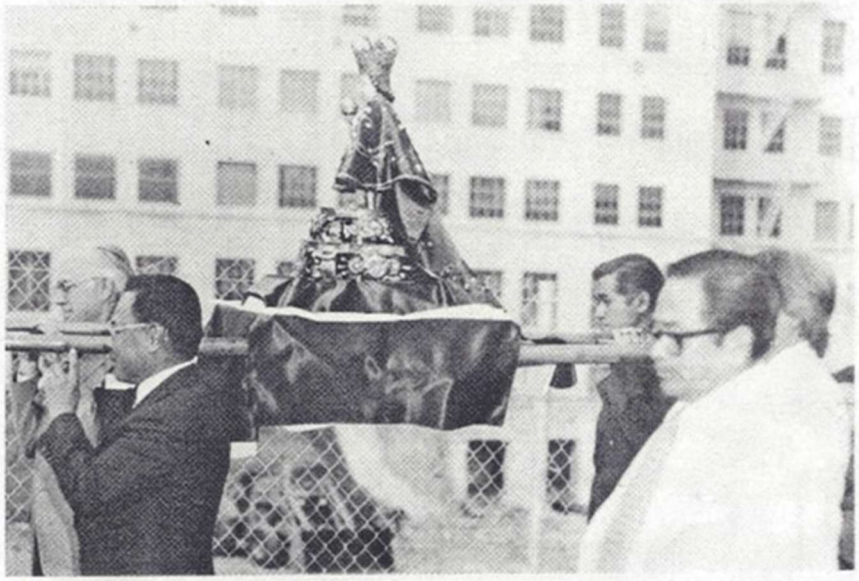
Archbishop McGucken: "As our Filipino membership in the Family of God in this area continues to grow, we hope that the Cebu Association will also continue to enjoy increased membership and blessings. I assure you of my prayers that you may continue to enjoy the support of God's providence."

Consul General Arguelles: "With great pleasure I extend my warmest greetings and felicitations to the Cebu Association of California Inc. on occasion of the Fiesta honoring Cebu's Patron Saint, Santo Niño. I sincerely commend all of you for your deep interest in propagating in your adopted country the accepted religious traditions and customs of our home-

B • Philippine News (SF) WEEK OF NOV. 26-DEC. 2, 1977

Sto. Nino fiesta proclamation

San Francisco Mayor George Moscone recently proclaimed the period from Jan. 14 to 21, 1978 as Fiesta of Santo Nino de Cebu Week in San Francisco. The mayor is shown (center) presenting the proclamation to Commissioner Sally B. Famarin, founder and president emeritus of the sponsoring Cebu Association of California, Inc. (CACI(. Others in the picture (standin, from left) are John L. Lauricella, CACI legal adviser; Lynda Perez, secretary and fiesta co-chairperson; Rose Marie Belara, secretary, Cebu Youth chapter; Commissioner Famarin, Mayor Moscone, Jane Guevara, Luz Adanza, "Empress of Cebu 1977-78"; Mrs. Emma McLaughlin and Mrs. Lee Guevara. Kneeling, from left: Frank Cadavos, CYC and executive general chairman (fiesta); Dr. Alfredo Guevara. Posters annoncing the fiesta will be distributed to 35 Muni buses in seven different lines. The posters bear the image of the miraculous Santo Nino de Cebu.



First procession along the streets of San Francisco, Santo Niño carried by Judge S. Lee Vavuris, Consul Gen. Romeo Arguelles, John Osmeña and Benjamin Agustin.

Cutting of the ribbon to start off the first Traditional parade of the Santo Niño by Judge S. Lee Vavuris, Sally Famarin started the Tradition.

Procession in 1978, the Santo Niño Carroza was bedecked with 5,000 red and white carnation.

The signing of the Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO

GEORGE R. MOSCONE

Proclamation

The Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu imparts to every Filipino a sense of belonging to the trait of piety, friendship, and hospitality.

The devotion to the Santo Nino is a means of inspiring the highest values in upholding sacred traditions of Philippine Culture and heritage.

This yearly event is one of the most festive, significant, celebrated and hallowed traditions, being deeply woven into the very fabric of the history of Cebu.

This Fiesta provides a unique and pleasurable opportunity for all San Franciscans to learn about and better appreciate the outstanding contributions to the City and County of San Francisco made by our citizens of Filipino descent.

The Cebu Association of California, Inc. dedicated to serve Santo Nino for peace and the dignity of men and to foster the spirit of respect and understanding which exist between the peoples of the Philippine Islands and the United States is again observing the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu this year in San Francisco and intends to do so every year thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George R. Moscone, Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco, do hereby proclaim the third week of January 14 - 21, 1978 as the FIESTA OF THE SANTO NINO DE CEBU WEEK in San Francisco.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of San Francisco to be affixed this tenth day of June, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

George R. Moscone
Mayor

Philippine News - March 17-23, 1979

Santo Nino de Cebu permanent church

SAN FRANCISCO - Local devotees can now venerate the Santo Nino de Cebu at his permanent place at St. Joseph's Church here where the miraculous image will be enthroned.

The Cebu Association of California, Inc., after 11 years of struggle to locate an ideal church for the Santo Nino de Cebu, finally found the Church---the church of the Holy Infant's earthly father, St. Joseph.

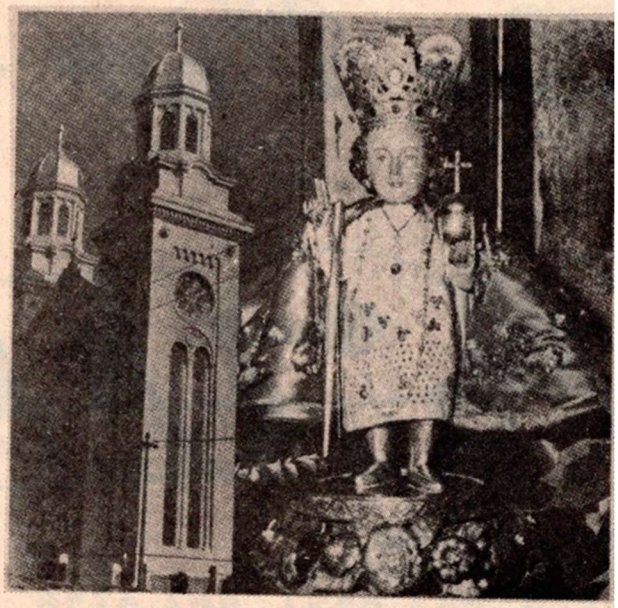
The St. Joseph's Church on 10th and Howard Streets is located in San Francisco's South of Market district, a community with a predominantly Filipino population.

The selection of St. Joseph's Church was made after the successful Filipino Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in that church last January. The decision was made following a series of conferences between Commissioner Sally B. Famarin, CACI founder and president emeritus, and Fr. James McGee, pastor of St. Joseph's Church.

A mass and a novena in honor of the Santo Nino de Cebu are held every Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the St. Joseph's Church.

According to Commissioner Famarin, plans are now afoot for the construction of a marble altar for the Santo Nino de Cebu at St. Joseph's Church here. The altar will be identical to the one at the Basilica Minore in Cebu City.

Formal enthronement ceremonies will take place with a mass on Sunday, April 22, at 12:15 p.m. After the mass, luncheon will be served at the St. Joseph's Social Hall on 10th Street.



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH AND STO. NINO

For further details and information, those interested may call Commissioner Famarin at 731-7361, or Fr. McGee, CACI spiritual adviser, at 621-1767.

Greetings

We welcome the Filipino populace and all devotees of the Santo Niño de Cebu not only from San Francisco but from different parts of the nation who have devoted their time, money and efforts to come to San Francisco and be with us on this beautiful celebration of the Filipinos' Patron Saint.

The concelebrated mass, the traditional processional parade of the Miraculous Image of the Santo Niño de Cebu along the streets of San Francisco and the Traditional Carroza, the first of its kind in the United States have given more meaning to the fiesta celebration and the cultural heritage of the Filipino people.

All Filipinos should be very proud of the Chapella del Santo Niño de Cebu, St. Joseph's church, for the enthronization of your Patron Saint, the Miraculous Santo Niño and the shrine you build to show your love for the Holy Child which will bring more pride including all the parishioners of St.Joseph's parish.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parishioners and devotees of the Santo Niño de Cebu, the officers and members of the Cebu Association of California, Inc., and to Sally B. Famarin for your strong devotion, love and adoration of the Santo Niño de Cebu. The Marble Chapel is a lasting memory of all your sacrifices, love and understanding. May it continue to flourish!

The Landmarks Preservation of St. Joseph's church at the time of the enthronization and building of the Santo Niño de Cebu Shrine in the church have made it more significant and meaningful not only to the Filipino people but all our people. This is now part of San Francisco history and will be carried down from generation to generation.

I am very happy indeed to join with you in this most memorable occasion.

James A. McGee
REV. FR. JAMES A. MCGEE
Pastor

St. Joseph church where 1st Enthronization of the Santo Niño de Cebu in San Francisco took place in April of 1979.

The Santo Niño shrine at St. Joseph Church in San Francisco (below).

Fr. James blessed the Sto. Niño during the enthronization rites at St. Joseph's church and the sign erected, La Chapella del Santo Niño de Cebu on April 22, 1979 the first Sunday after Easter.

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PRESIDENT MERITUS, WORLD EMISSARY
CEBU ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC.
2207 28 AVE.
SAN FRANCISCO CA 94116

DEAR COMMISSIONER FAMARIN,

THE CEBU ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, INC. PROVIDES AN OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE CULTURAL LIFE OF SAN FRANCISCO AND OF CALIFORNIA IN SPONSORING THE PHILIPINO FIESTA OF THE SANTO NIÑO DE CEBU WEEK.

PLEASE EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THOSE WHO WORKED ON THIS SIGNIFICANT EVENT AND MY BEST WISHES TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS MANY FRIENDS.

CORDIALLY,

LEO T. MCCARTHY, SPEAKER OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO

DIANNE FEINSTEIN

April 20, 1979

Mrs. Sally B. Famarin
CEBU
Association of California, Inc.
2207 - 28th Ave.
San Francisco, CA 94116

To my friends in the CEBU Association:

I rejoice with you that the Santo Niño de Cebu has found a home in our City's St. Joseph's Church.

I regret that I am not able to share in the beauty of the enthronement ceremony but am so honored by your thoughtfulness in inviting me.

Best wishes to you all.

Sincerely,

Dianne Feinstein

Dianne Feinstein
Mayor

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BATAAN NEWS—Feb. 1-7, 1980—

Celebration of the Feast of the Santo Niño de Cebu was highlighted by a concelebrated mass Jan. 20 at the St. Joseph Church at 10th and Howard streets in San Francisco and a religious procession of the miraculous Image after the mass. Photo shows part of the large crowd that attended the annual celebration.

Philippine Consul General Romeo Arguelles and San Francisco Superior Court Judge S.Lee Vavuris headed the devotees walking in front of the Santo Niño de Cebu Carroza.

BATAAN NEWS — Feb. 22-28, 1980 —

The traditional procession of the miraculous image of the Santo Niño along the streets of San Francisco culminated the recent week-long celebration in the Bay Area. Commissioner Sally B. Famarin directs the start of the procession. Among those who walked in front of the carroza, at right, were Judge S. Lee Vavuris, Rev. Fathers James A. McGee, Floro Arcamo, Eliseo Echavez and Arturo Albano, festival queen Vykie Rosales, Mr. and Mrs. Potenciano Menchavez and other Fil Am organization leaders.

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August 11, 1980

Ms. Sally Famarin
2207 - 28th Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94116

Dear Sally:

This is to express my appreciation for your invaluable aid and support in the past.

In all of your endeavors you have demonstrated concern and leadership not only to the Filipino community but to the entire City and County of San Francisco as well.

You are known throughout the Filipino community as a leader in social, cultural, and community organizations. Your involvement and dedication to San Francisco is demonstrated by your service as a Commissioner determined to preserve the heritage of San Francisco.

In all of your service to the community, from your active involvement in San Francisco political life to your successful efforts to raise money for the Shrine of Santo Nino de Cebu, you set a standard of uncompromised integrity and leadership.

I am very grateful for all of your assistance and look forward to a lifetime of mutual support and friendship.

Very truly yours,

ARLO SMITH
District Attorney

AS:jr

Filipino San Franciscans Hold Annual Cebu Fiesta

The Twelfth Annual Fiesta of The Santo Nino de Cebu was held recently, at St. Joseph's Church, Tenth and Howard streets in San Francisco. The climax was a traditional processional parade of the Miraculous Image of the Santo Nino along the streets of San Francisco.

The Fiesta, which has received public recognition by church and government officials in the United States and the Philippines, is celebrated in San Francisco every third week of January each year with a Nine-Day Mass and Novena, culminating with the Mass, traditional procession, and banquet on the day of the Festival which falls every third Sunday of January.

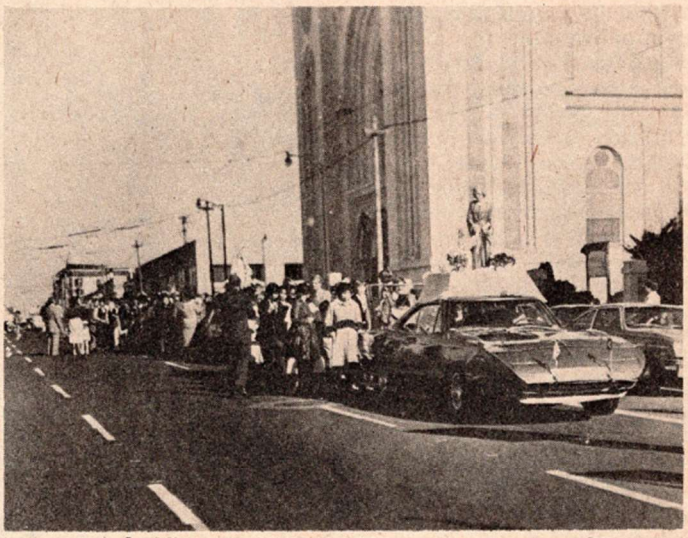
This event has been sponsored by the Santo Nino de Cebu Association since its founding in 1968. St. Joseph's Parish and the Association are main sponsors since 1979.

Before the procession, thousands of Filipino devotees of the Santo Nino gathered at St. Joseph's church, to attend the concelebrated Mass offered by Father James A. McGee, Pastor, assisted by Father Floro Arcamo of St. Philip's Church, Father Arturo Albano of St. Cecilia's Church and Father Eliseo Echavea of St. Cypian's Church in Sunnyvale.

Among those who read the scriptures were San Francisco Superior Court Judge S. Lee Vavuris and Philippine Consul General Romeo Arguelles with Miss Vykie Rosales Festival Queen reading the responsorial psalms.

Commissioner Sally B. Famarin, World Emissary of the Santo Nino de Cebu Association, read the message of Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco to a large gathering of Filipino-American devotees.

"The fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu imparts to every Filipino a renewed sense of the value to the traditional traits of piety, friendship and hospitality. Devotion to Santo Nino is a means of inspiring the highest values in upholding the sacred heritage of Philippine Culture," stated the Archbishop.



The traditional Santo Nino de Cebu procession started at St. Joseph's Church, Tenth and Howard streets.

"The Fiesta also provides a unique opportunity for people of San Francisco to learn about and better appreciate the outstanding contributions made to the City and County of San Francisco by citizens of Filipino descent.

"I am grateful for the tireless efforts of the founders, officers, and members of the Santo Nino de Cebu Association who have brought national distinction to the Filipino-Americans during the twelve years of existence of the Filipino Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu," he continued.

Various leaders of Filipino-American organizations acted as church ushers and procession marshals. Among those were Mike Canaya, chairman, Cebu Youth Chapter and officers of the San Francisco Police Department headed by Capt. Raymond White.

Mrs. Susan dela Victoria Lenzi sang the *Ave Maria*. All Hollows Choir, headed by Mrs. Judith de Veyra, furnished the songs for the Mass.

Cebu has earned the reference as the "Cradle of Christianity in the Far East" and devotion to Santo Nino has always been a strong characteristic of the Cebuanos as well as the Filipinos in general.

To preserve national identity, President of the Philippines Ferdinand Marcos has, since August of 1973, declared the Basilica and Convent of the Santo Nino de Cebu in Cebu City the National Shrine of the Filipinos.

On April 22, 1979, the enthronization of the Miraculous Image of the Santo Nino de Cebu at St. Joseph's Church in San Francisco took place through the combined efforts of Father James McGee and Commissioner Sally B. Famarin of Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board.

Construction of the Santo Nino de Cebu marble altar shrine is now underway. Upon completion, this will be the pride of all Filipinos in the United States.

The Santo Nino de Cebu Association and devotees of Santo Nino expressed their gratitude to Father McGee for having the Santo Nino shrine built and consecrated at St. Joseph's Church and for listening to the regligious needs of the Filipinos in San Francisco.

The interior of St. Joseph's Church. Built in 1913, dedicated in 1914, it is one of the city's first all steel buildings.

The Landmarks Designation was authored and endorsed by Commissioner Sally B.Famarin and now the National Landmarks of the Filipinos in the United States of America.

St. Joseph's: a church of the Filipinos declared a city landmark

By LINDA O. RAMIREZ
PhilNews Staffwriter

SAN FRANCISCO - Entering St. Joseph's Catholic Church on 10th and Howard Streets, one would expect a chorus of angels' voices to fill the high domed ceilings. The sight of sunlight singing through the magnificent European stained glass windows evokes a sense of awe at the dedication and faith of the church congregation, which helped build the all-steel structure following the devastation of the 1906 earthquake and fire.

The church, part of a 118-year-old parish, was designated a San Francisco historical landmark recently. The distinction will be recognized as part of a triple inauguration rites Oct. 11 when church members dedicate their Santo Nino de Cebu statue and shrine.

The church and parish were founded in 1861 by Rev. Hugh Gallagher under the direction of Archbishop Joseph Alemany and served the predominantly Irish population in the South-of-Market area. Since that time, the church complex has undergone many substantial changes with buildings being destroyed, re-built and new structures being added to meet the educational and religious needs of the congregation.

In April, 1906, the church complex consisted of a church, two schools, a convent, a brother's house and a new school under construction. All these buildings were destroyed by the earthquake and fire. A temporary church, now the parish hall, was built until the present structure was constructed.

Built in 1913 and dedicated in 1914, the church is one of the first all-steel buildings ever built in the city.

Many of the religious statues in the church were donated when the structure was erected. The tall stained glass windows also were donated and imported from Germany, Italy and France. They represent the life of St. Joseph and surround the interior of the church.

Thanks to the efforts of Father James A. McGee, the church has welcomed a revival with a new school being built in 1957.

Hubert "Duke" Nelson, church sexton, also credits Father McGee with beautifying the landscape and rebuilding the altar of the church to accommodate the Catholic Church's new doctrine on masses, in which the officiating priest conducts the service in English while facing his congregation.

Nelson, sexton for the past eight and a half years, has a long history with the church. He was married there 29 years ago. Nelson has a fond affection for the Filipino church members who comprise about 89 percent of the congregation.

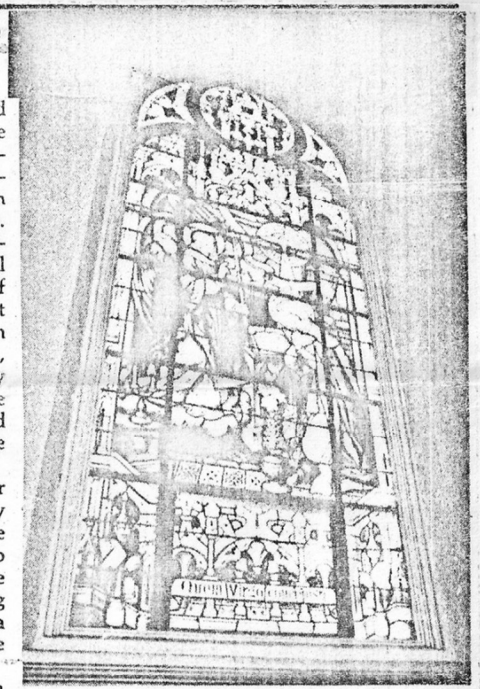
He remembered that the female church members 10 years ago donated their gold jewelry to be melted down into a crown for the Guadalupe Shrine. Unfortunately, the crown, valued at $3,000 was stolen from the church last year.

He also regrettably remembered a sequined veil covering the Mother of Sorrow statue located at the front of the church being stolen. The statue, along with one of Mary and one of Joseph with the boy Jesus, were donated by Filipinos. All are made of hand-carved wood.

Filipinos pooled their resources again recently to donate a $40,000 statue of their patron saint Santo Nino de Cebu to the church. The statue, along with the $18,000 chapella that will house it, will be dedicated Oct. 4.

Standing in the church yard is an old lamppost dedicated in May, 1950. It symbolizes the Young Men's Institute, a fraternal society organized at the church in 1882. The story has it that the organization began from the habit of several young men gathering under that same lamp post after services. The lamp post was wired for electricity when the present church was built.

Also at the church since its construction is a 14-foot diameter bell housed in the church dome. The parish hall houses two much smaller bells which Nelson rings now and then.



One of the church's stained glass windows...evoking a sense of awe.

Two nuns serving as teacher and principal work at the church school which, under the direction of Father McGee, was built in 1957. The school receives no money from the diocese and is funded entirely by rental feeds on the parish halls and donations and donations from the memorial candles.

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TO: CEBU ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA AND THE PARISHONERS OF
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND MY GREETINGS AS YOU HOLD YOUR TRIPLE INAUGURATION CEREMONY IN HONOR OF THE SANTO NINO DE CEBU, THE FILIPINO PATRON SAINT, AND AS YOU CELEBRATE THE RIBBON CUTTING FOR THE MARBLE CHAPEL SHRINE OF THE SANTO NINO.

IT IS APPROPIRATE ON THIS OCCASION TO SELECT UPON THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY FILIPINO-AMERICANS TO OUR SOCIETY AND TO REDEDICATE YOURSELVES TO THE FAITH WHICH HAS GIVEN STRENGTH TO YOUR COMMUNITY AS WELL AS TO INDIVIDUAL PARISHONERS.

BEST WISHES. SINCERELY,

EDMUND G. BROWN JR. GOVERNOR STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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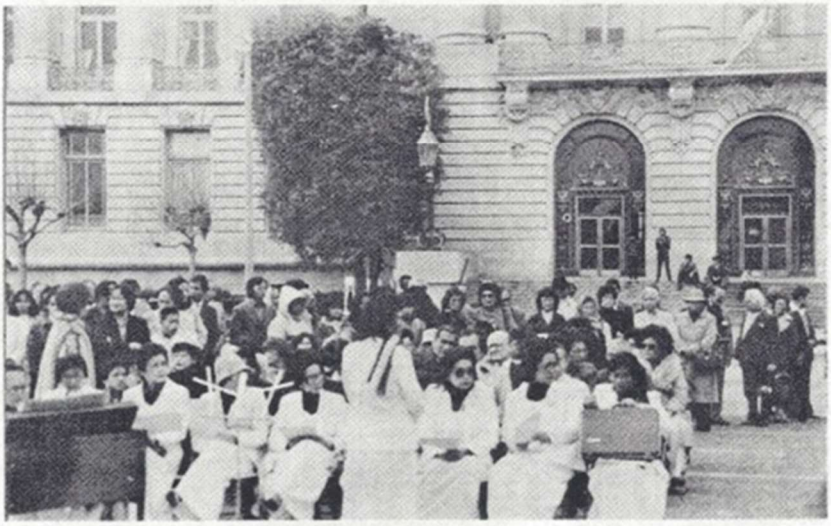
The Mabuhay Republic February, 1983

Santo Nino de Cebu Week

Dianne Feinstein, San Francisco Mayor, is shown with the city proclamation making January 14-23 Filipino Fiesta of the Santa Nino de Cebu week, which was celebrated with festivities at Civic Center Plaza and St. Joseph's Catholic Church. At the ceremonies are shown members of the Cebu Association and friends including: Commissioner Sally B. Famarin (holding the proclamation with the Mayor), Mrs. Jocelyn Legaspi, Mrs. Daisie Harrison, Mrs. Florence Abueva, Mrs. Nita Larot, Leland Myerzove, John H. Atkinson, and Miss Rosalie Canaya.

The Santo Niño Carroza landed at the main entrance of City Hall Landing for the concelebrated mass at the Civic Center in 1983.



The Filipino Choir of Oakland sang during masses of Festival during past years.

Part of the crowd during mass of the Santo Niño de Cebu Festival in San Francisco.

Philippine News

January 26 — February 1, 1983

IN HONOR OF THE SANTO NIÑO

In celebration of the Santo Niño, Filipinos throughout the United States celebrated the arrival of the image of the Holy Infant to the Philippines with masses, novenas, prayers, and processions, like the one shown here in San Francisco last January 23 with over 300 devotees, reminiscent of traditional Philippine observances.

(PN photo by L.O. RAMIREZ)

The Cebu Connection

Sally was born in Mandaue City, Cebu, leaving the Philippines in 1950 for a life in the United States. Throughout the years, Sally traveled back home to Cebu to visit family. It was always a joy to be there. We made it a family vacation one year for the entire family to be there at the same time, including kids and grand-kids. One of the best trips we ever had.

One year, Sally was honored with a Testimonial given by Mandaue City and its people and officials. She was presented with a plaque for the Most Successful Woman Award along with a Certificate of Recognition for her personal donation to the City. Sally was the First Woman awarded the Official Seal of Mandaue City, for her generosity and liberality.

She authored and endorsed a Cebu government resolution by Governor Eduardo Gullas and Mayor of Cebu, declaring Mayor George R. Moscone an adopted son of Cebu. This was later presented to Mayor Moscone in November 27, 1978.

Sally was a donor for construction of the Marble Altar at the Patron Saint of Gethsemane parish in Mandaue City.

In 1977, Sally was the Hermana Mayor for the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu held at the Basilica Minore in Cebu City.

SALLY B. FAMARIN, a San Francisco Realtor, is shown with Mandawe City Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes during a courtesy call. Famarin, who was born in Mandawe City in Cebu, recently visited the Philippines after an absence of 24 years.

SF Realtor visits RP

SAN FRANCISCO—Realtor Sally B. Famarin of San Francisco, founder and president emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, recently returned from a visit to the Philippines after having been away the past 24 years.

A Cebuana who was born in Mandawe City, Famarin made a courtesy call on Governor Osmundo G. Rama. The governor, a physician, has always been in contact with Cebuanos in California through his messages during annual fiesta celebrations of Santo Nino under the sponsorship of the Cebu Association of California.

The San Francisco Realtor also made courtesy call on Mayor Eulogio Borres of Cebu City as well as on Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes of Mandawe City.

While in Cebu, Famarin attended the banquet and ball during the Philippine Medical Association convention in Cebu City.

On her first visit to her native city of Mandawe after an absence of 24 years, Famarin said: "I can't believe that Mandawe can be such a big city. But in spite of its progress and growth, the customs and traditions of our people have not changed much. The younger generation is as courteous as those of my time. Young men don't wear long hairs. I shall miss the warmth of the hospitality my relatives and friends have shown me during my stay here."

The Freeman

VOL. X NO. 354 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1974 CEBU CITY, PHILIPPINES — 20 CTVS.

Cebuana featured in 2 U.S. journals

A Cebuana who left the Philippines for the United States more than 20 years ago has won the distinction of being included in this year's issues of two prestigious U.S. publications —the "Who's Who in California" and the "Who's Who of American Women".

(Photo on page 2.)

She is Miss Sally Basiga Fa-

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Cebuana featured...

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marin of Mandaue city, who is now here in Cebu on a vacation —to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends and savor once again the spirit of Traditional Filipino Christmas—and who expects to leave the country of her birth again early next year after the Santo Niño fiesta of Cebu city.

The Santo Niño, by the way, is also the patron saint of the Cebu Association in San Francisco, California, which Miss Famarin founded and of which she is the president emeritus. The group celebrates its fiesta in honor of Santo Niño also during the month of January.

Active in local and state politics and in social and civic affairs in California, Miss Famarin also has won commendation from the state legislature which, through its respective rules committees, passed resolutions of commendation for her.

The assembly rules committee of the house of the California state legislature cited Miss Famarin for her "outstanding record of diligent and devoted community service" while senate rules committee cited her for "exemplary leadership of the Filipino-American community and distinguished professional accomplishments."

Miss Famarin, who operates her own real estate firm in the U.S. known as United Homes, called on Cebu Governor Rama yesterday to extend to the Cebuanos, through the governor, her greetings of the season.

She told the governor that she was greatly impressed by Cebu's progress. She said the Mandaue and Cebu City that she left sometime in 1950 were far different from the Mandaue and the Cebu city that she has found on her return. Miss Famarin arrived in Manila with about 200 Balikbayans from the U.S. on a chartered Pan-Am plane last Saturday and arrived home in Cebu the following day.

Cebuana "Balikbayan" hands over a gift to Cebu Governor Rama during a courtesy call.

Former Governor Osmundo G. Rama, Governor of Cebu, Republic of the Philippines congratulates Commissioner Sally B. Famarin as Honorable Eulogio Barres, Mayor of Cebu City looks on.

The only awardee from the United States during the Fourth Centennary celebration of Cebu, Republic of the Philippines, Sally is also the first woman given the highest honor by the people of Mandaue City and its officials in January 1975 for her outstanding leadership and professional achievements.

Honorable Demetrio M. Cortes, Mayor of Mandaue City, Philippines escorts Commissioner Sally B. Famarin during her testimonial in Mandaue City, Philippines.

EXCERPTS AS PUBLISHED IN THE MANDAUE CITY YEARBOOK IN 1975

SALLY FAMARIN: MANDAUE'S PRIDE ABROAD

FAMARIN, SALLY BASIGA, real estate executive; born Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines, November 11, 1923; daughter of Severo Ranili and Serapia Seno (Dabon) Basiga; graduate of Southern College, Cebu 1941; postgraduate Chamberlain Real Estate School, 1960, Harlow Real Estate School, 1962, Anthony School of General Insurance, 1961; Married Carsiolo Tagle Famarin, February 5, 1950; children - - Sally Ann (Mrs. Andrew Glenn Davis), Catherine (Mrs. Bruce David Rizotto), Rodolfo Carlito, Rose Marie. Came to United States, 1950, naturalized, 1 52. Accounting, Bookkeeper, manager ladies' home, Cebu, 1946-50; Welfare work, veterans and marine hospitals with Regular Veterans' Association Post //15, 1953-60; real estate salesman, House of Homes Realty, San Francisco, 1960-61; owner, manager Famarin Realty, San Francisco, 1962 as became the first Filipino Woman Realtor in California; (name now United Homes Realty since 1965- - -), 2nd Vice-President, Caballeros de Dimasalang, 1963; Chairman Awards, First Pioneer Day Picnic, Filipino Pioneers of America, Oakland, California, 1964; Recipient Certificate of honor, Regular Veterans Association, 1967; General Chairman, Silver Anniversary, Fall of Bataan and Corregidor honoring the survivors of World War II, April 9, 1967; Founded the Cebu Association of California in 1968; Introduced the veneration of the Infant Jesus of Cebu in order to foster the culture and heritage of the Philippines in the United States, January 1969; President Emeritus Cebu Association of California in 1971 and awarded the Gold Pin, Testimonial dinner in her honor by Cebu Association of California 1971; Member, National Salesman's Association (U. S. A.) 1972, Owner-operator Sally's Sunset Villa, Ambulatory home for aged, San Francisco, 1972- - -, Coor dinator, Committee Filipino-American Friends of Senator Milton Marks Campaign for California Senate, 1972; General Chairman, banquet and ball, Golden Jubilee Boy Scouts Philippines, U.S. West Coast Region, 1973; General Chairman, Committee, Filipino-American Friends of Peter Tamaras for San Francisco Board of Supervisors, 1973; active organizer first Filipino Independent Political Headquarters, San Francisco; certificate of honor, San Francisco Board of Supervisors, 1973; Chairman, beauty-talent pageant Filipino-American Friendship Week, 1974; also general co-chairman Fil-Am Friendship Week; member, advisory board, Child Health and Disability Prevention, City and County of San Francisco, September, 1974; testimonial banquet and ball for various achievements-Who's Who in California and Who's Who of American Women given by Filipino and American Friends, San Francisco, September, 1974; literary-musical program given by the people of Mandaue and it's officials-Philippines and a Plaque of recognition was presented, January, 1975; graduated from income tax course, H & R Block, San Francisco, CA., January, 1975, Most successful woman award of Class 1938, Mandaue Elementary School, Mandaue City, Philippines, (by the class reunionist), August 1975; certificate of recognition, City of Mandaue, Philippines, for high frequency siren (badly needed by the people) a personal donation; August, 1975; Outstanding plaque merit Filipino and American Society of California, numerous other awards. Member National Association of Real Estate Boards, California Real Estate Association, San Francisco Board of Realtors, International Platform Association; Co-Chairman-Filipinos for Senator George Moscone-Mayoralty race, San Francisco in 1975; Awardee, Fpurth Centenary Celebration, Province of Cebu, Philippines, December 15, 1975 for outstanding leadership in a foreign country; featured in Volume XIII, 1976-77 Edition, Dictionary of International Biography, Cambridge, England for contemporary achievements; featured in 1976 Bicentinnial Edition, Notable Americans of the Bicentennial Era; contributor of articles, poems to Filipino and American publications. Address: 2207 - 28th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116.

Republic of the Philippines
CITY OF MANDAUE
Office of the City Council

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANDAUE CITY, HELD ON DECEMBER 27, 1974, AT THE MANDAUE JAYCEES CLUB HOUSE MANDAUE CITY.

PRESENT:

Hon. Demetrio M. Cortes	City Mayor	
Hon. Alfredo M. Ouano	City Vice Mayor & Pres	Offr
Hon. George P. Bragat	City Councilor & Maj. Flr	Ldr
Hon. Tomas P. Go	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Pontico E. Fortuna	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Daniel C. Albaño	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Paterno P. Cañete	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Magno B. Dionson	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Francisco M. Cortes	City Councilor (Member)	
Hon. Raymundo A. Ceniza	City Councilor (Member)	

ABSENT

None

* RESOLUTION NO. 185 *

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL'S APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WHEREAS, a Mandauehanon of humble origin Sally Basiga Famarin, has come back to her native Mandaue City as "Balikbayan";

WHEREAS, she has come back triumphantly with honor and distinction, having been fittingly recognized as one of America's leaders, for having stood out brilliantly as a community and civic leader, business executive and religious and political prime-mover, thus meriting for her an enduring testimonial of recognition in the glorious pages of the "Who's Who of American Women" and the "Who's Who in California", and thus, dramatizing the innate genius of the Mandauehanon to excel in the highly competitive world of the United States of America;

WHEREAS, Mandaue City and her people have always since as far back as man can remember, looked upon her successful sons and daughters with profuse motherly solicitude and reasoned pride;

WHEREAS the feat of Sally Basiga Famarin has brought glory not only to the Mandauehanons and Cebuanos but also to the Filipino people as well

NOW, THEREFORE on mass motion of the Honorable Members of the City Council of Mandaue City duly seconded by the Same;

BE IT RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved, to express, as they are hereby expressed, the City Council's appreciation and recognition of the honor and distinction achieved by Sally Basiga

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Office of the City Council

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Famarin of Casuntingan, Mandaue City, in the United States of America;

RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this Resolution be formally presented to Sally Basiga Famarin in appropriate ceremonies to be held at the heart of Mandaue City on January 11, 1975;

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE AND FINALLY to furnish a copy of this Resolution to the Department of Tourism Manila and to the Department of Local Government and Community Development, Manila, for their information.

UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Resolution

Mandaue City, Philippines January 8, 1975

JAYME
Secretary to the City Council

ATTESTED

ALFREDO M. OUANO
City Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

DEMETRIO M. CO
City Mayor

ATTESTED

CECILIO M. SAMSON
Secretary to the City Mayor

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in deep appreciation and recognition of her outstanding achievements as one of America's Leaders in civic and business endeavors, a political and religious prime mover, worthy of recognition in the glorious pages of the "WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN WOMEN" *and the* "WHO'S WHO OF CALIFORNIA", *thus giving honor and distinction not only to herself but also to the City and people of Mandaue.*

Given at the City of Mandaue, Philippines, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-five, the eleventh day of January.

D. M. Cortes
DEMETRIO M. CORTES
City Mayor

ATTESTED:

CECILIO M. SAMSON
City Secretary

MANDAUE CITY TESTIMONIAL RESPONSE
January 11, 1975

Mr. Toastmaster, Honorable Governor and Mrs. Rama, Honorable Mayor and Mrs. Borres, Honorable Mayor and Mrs. Cortes, Honorable Judge andMrs. Seno, distinguished guests, City Council members, Beloved teachers, friends, ladies and gentlemen;

There's not enough words to thank you and to express the happiness I fell for the great honor the City of Mandaue has bestowed upon me this evening.

First of all, I would like to extend my sincerest and greatest thanks to our beloved Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes, to the City Council, members of the executive committee, to the participants of our program who performed so beautifully and to all of you who are present here tonight.

The honorable Mayor Corte ssaid in the message which he sent to San Francisco last September, "The City of Mandaue is indeed very proud to have one of her constituents excel and the Mandauehanons will surely be elated to hear that assiter Mandauehanon has ably shown the traditional virtues of self reliance and self dedication by your attainment of greater heights which has silently, but eloquently reflected the praiseworthy traits of the people in our community." Ladies and gentlemen, all the successes and honors were made possible because of the people around me, and you are all part of it.

"Winning such prestigious honors is no easy task and I can say with all candor and sincerity taht the honoree is attuned to the times," this was how Mayor Borres felt of my accomplishments. It is indeed a great honor especially for a woman to be selected as among the leaders of the American community. I am very proud to be recognized by the Who's Wh on America for this not only recognizes me alone but the whole Filipino Community as well.

As President John F. Kennedy has said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." From now on ladies and gentlemen, it will be "what more can I do for my people, what more can I do for my country? "

My sincerest thanks to the Honorable Governor Rama who has shwon his greatest pride of the Cebuano people. To quote part of the message he sent during my Testimonial Banquet and Ball in San Francisco, "We are deeply happy that this most historic province in the Philippines, known for the heroic valor of Lapulapu and the statesmanship of Sergio Osmena, Sr. has again earned an indelible mark of distinction through a native daughter, who has been meritoriously included in the roaster of the elite pases of distinguished individuals in America."

My dear fellowmen, not only will Mandaue/Cebu be included in the elite pages for being my place of birth, but Mandaue will be included in those pages for the great honor you have bestowed upon me this evening. All I can say is, "Mandaue, I Love You."

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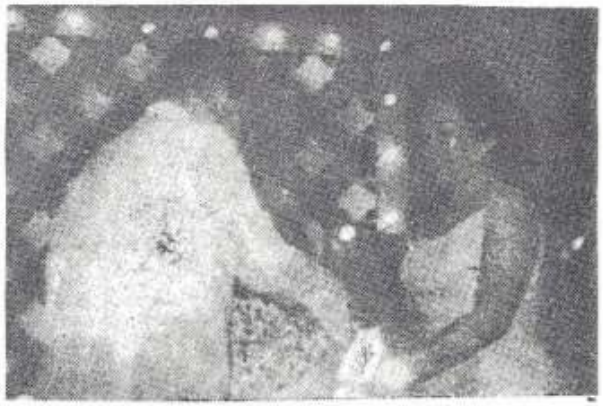

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MORNING TIMES Friday, August 1, 1975

Class of '38 Mandaue Elementary School to hold reunion

Comm. Sally B. Famarin

The Mandaue Elementary School Class 1938 will have its reunion at the Roof Garden Mandaue Plaza Square, on Saturday, August 2, 1975, at eight o'clock in the evening. The event will be highlighted by a literary-musical program and ball.

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1938 Class graduates are requested to contact Mrs. Ceniza and Mrs. Flores for more details and information.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

COMMISSIONER SALLY B. FAMARIN

PRESENTATION OF THE HIGH FREQUENCY SIREN DONATION TO MANDAUE CITY AND HER PEOPLE, DURING ST. JOSEPH'S FIESTA, MAY 8,1975, MANDAUE CITY,REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

"IT IS INDEED A GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE WITH YOU TONIGHT IN ORDER TO CELEBRATE THE CLIMAX OF OUR FIESTA. I MADE THE SPECIAL TRIP FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN ORDER TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL DAY WHICH I HAVE NOT ATTENDED FOR THE PAST TWENTY FIVE YEARS, SO THAT THIS SPECIAL PRESENTATION BE MADE POSSIBLE, WHICH I FEEL WILL BE OF GREAT SERVICE AND WILL BENIFIT THE PEOPLE AND CITY OF MANDAUE."

Commissioner Sally Famarin donated set of Books for Mandaue City Emergency Rescue Unit in the Philippines. Mayor D.M. Cortes accepting the donation.

THE MANILA JOURNAL
May 21-27, 1978

Community Leadership

Filipina reaping honors in US

CEBU CITY.— A Cebuana who left her native land for the United States almost 30 years ago is now reaping honors not only for herself and Cebu but also for the Philippines as a whole because of her able leadership in the Filipino community and her involvement in civic and political affairs of the state and city in which she now lives.

She is Ms. Sally Basiga Famarin of Mandaue City, who has earned the distinction of being the first Filipino to hold three important positions in the city and county of San Francisco, California. She is a member of the San Francisco Mayor George Moscone's screening committee on boards and commissions, a member of San Francisco board on child health and disability prevention program and commissioner on landmarks preservation advisory board.

Ms. Famarin also has the distinction of being included in five world biographicals — the International Register of Profiles, world edition; Who's Who in the World, the World's Who's Who of Women, Book of Honor, tenth edition; the International Who's Who of Intellectuals, and the International Who's Who in Community Service.

Only recently, Ms. Famarin received a certificate of proclamation as fellow member of preferential standing from the publications board of the American Biographical Institute and a selected subject of supreme achievement of the International Community of Men.

As founder and president emeritus of the World Emissary Cebu Association of California, Inc., the irrepressible and indefatigable Cebuana from Mandaue City is now trying to make the name Cebu ringing in the whole continental United States by organizing Cebu association chapters in every state.

Ms. Famarin has even formed Cebu youth chapters to prepare Cebu youths in the US for leadership and organized Cebu cultural and dance troupes.

In recognition of her leadership of a Filipino community in a foreign country, Ms. Famarin was picked an awardee during the fourth centennial celebration of the establishment of the Provincial Government of Cebu by the king of Spain, with Miguel Lopez de Legazpi as the first military and civil governor.—AL.

BALIK-MANDAUE FIESTA '85

Being a tour leader from San Francisco of Balik-Mandaue '85 was indeed interesting and exciting. The last two weeks before we left for the Philippines were hectic days and sleepless nights. This is something to remember for behind it were the untiring efforts of each member of the group. The Balikbayans consisted mostly of Mandauehanons and Cebuanos from California.

My main reason for being greatly involved in this project:

1. To help Mandauehanons and their guests from the United States, for many of them in any way I could.
2. To help Mandaue City and its officials on this specific project so we can draw more visitors from the United States.

Regardless of the intrigues that were initiated during our stay, I'm glad I did get involved for I have been able to help my kababayans from the United States. It's a trip they will long remember.

As the Philippine Airlines jet landed at Mactan in Cebu, Philippines, hundreds of people at the airport were waiting for us. A red-carpet reception was prepared by Mandaue City Officials headed by Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes.

The following pages will feature photos of the activities as we arrive and during our stay. A program of folk dancing a reception with different delicacies served and a band composed of servicemen, were all arranged to meet us and welcome us at the airport. As the official tour leader of the group I accepted the key to Mandaue City from Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes.

To my knowledge the Balik-Mandaue Fiesta '85, which I spearheaded, was so far the largest group that hit Mandaue City, Cebu, from U.S. shores.

At this time, we are in preparation for a greater Balik-Cebu which I have arrange with Governor of Cebu Eduardo Gullas in time for the Four Hundred Sixty Six Years of the founding of Cebu, Philippines.

Red carpet at Mactan

More than a hundred balikbayans led by former San Francisco Landmark Commissioner Sally B. Famarin were given a warm reception by Mandaue City officials upon their arrival at the Mactan airport for the celebration of Mandaue City's St. Joseph May fiesta. Dubbed "Balik-Mandaue '85," the balikbayans came from San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Jose, San Bruno, Santa Clara County, Vallejo, Sacramento, Canada, Washington, DC, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Chicago, Hawaii and Florida.

MABUHAY & HAPPY FIESTA
BALIK-MANDAUEHANONS & GUESTS
BALIK-MANDAUE FIESTA 85
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Compliments of SAN MIGUEL CORPORATION

SALLY FAMARIN DELIVERING A SPEECH AFTER RECEIVING THE KEY TO MANDAUE CITY FROM MAYOR DEMETRIO M. CORTES OF MANDAUE CITY UPON ARRIVAL AT MACTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN CEBU. SALLY WAS THE TOUR LEADER OF BALIK-MANDAUE '85 FROM CALIFORNIA.

AT THE MACTAN AIRPORT IN CEBU. WITH SUSAN AND OTHER BALIKBAYANS AFTE CUSTOMS

Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes presents the symbolic key to Mandaue City, Philippines, to Commissioner Sally B. Famarin upon her arrival at the Mactan Airport for the Balik-Mandaue Fiesta '85. Famarin led a group of more than 100 Balikbayans from all over the United States who visited the southern Philippine city in May. They were accorded red-carpet treatment by Mandaue City officials.

The Principal teacher of Cabancalan School 1,Mandaue City,Philippines accepts the donation of valuable books for the School library as Superintendent of Schools , Dr. Susana Cabajug looks on. Sally Famarin donated the books during the Balik-Mandaue Fiesta '85, Philippines.

One of Mandaue City's noted declamers Sally delivered a poem during the Balikbayan Night held at Mandaue City Square in May of 1985, Balik-Mandaue Fiesta '85.

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June 7, 1985

MS. SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN
2207 - 28th Ave.
San Francisco California 94116
U. S. A.

Dear Ms. Famarin:

Please accept my sincerest gratitude and that of a grateful community for your benevolent gesture of a generous donation of books and educational reference materials for our City Library and the City Central School.

Your liberal actuations will greatly enhance the determined efforts of my administration to develop a more responsible and productive youthful citizenry.

It is my fervent hope that your enthusiasm and valued initiatives in complementing the undertakings of the City Government toward the social and cultural advancement of your fellow Mandauehanons will remain vibrant in the years to come.

Thank you and warm regards.

Very truly yours,

DEMETRIO M. CORTES
City Mayor

CITY MAYOR 1968 MANDAUE CITY

Sally is congratulated by the Cebu City mayor during a program in her honor at Mandaue City Square.

SALLY BASIGA FAMARIN, founder and president emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, is shown above receiving from former Cebu governor Osmundo Rama, during the former's visit to Cebu last December, a message for the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in San Francisco last January 24. The message reads as follows: From Cebu, the cradle of Catholic faith in the Philippines and your beloved home province, comes the warm greetings from your paisaepaisanos on the occasion of our annual feast of Senor Santo Nino, who for centuries has been our focus of affection and adoration and who binds us now in spite of the great distance between us. May the Holy Babe continue to shower you with His heavenly graces and keep you under His mantle of protection." The Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in San Francisco was a spectacular affair attended by some 1,000 people who gathered at the St. Patrick's Church on Mission and 4th streets for the High Mass which was con-celebrated by seven priests. Mayor George Moscone of San Francisco also proclaimed the third week of January, 1976, as the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu Week in San Francisco. 12-15-75

A pause at the Taoist Temple, Cebu, Philippines, with Atty. and Mrs. Mar Juntilla and sister Fely.

Sally poses with the oldest aunt left in the clan, 107 years old, Mrs. Raymunda Basiga Dabon, during her visit in 1984 to Mandaue City, Philippines.

Evaristo and Julita Zambo of Mandaue City bid goodbye to the family during their Cebu visit in June 1984.

Mass offering with relatives at Gethsemani Parish Mandaue City, Philippines in 1984.

Reunion photo, most successful woman award – Commissioner Sally Famarin a Realtor.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CHRIST OF THE AGONY

GETHSEMANE PARISH

Casuntingan, Mandaue City Cebu * Philippines 6433

WITH MSGR. VIRGILIO YAP, PASTOR OF GETHSEMANE PARISH, HELPING PLAN THE LAYOUT AT THE GARDENS OF GETHSEMANE, MANDAUE CITY

MGR. VIRGILIO YAP MADE A SPECIAL TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA TO CONCELEBRATE THE THANKSGIVING MASS AT THE GOLDEN GATE PARK IN SAN FRANCISCO DURING SALLY'S REALTORS SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND PRESENTED THE RE-SOLUTION FROM MANDAUE CITY COUNCIL, PHILIPPINE

Happy Birthday Mayor Demetrio M. Cortes as Sally presented the lei of flowers in Mandaue City,Philippines

A strong devotee of the Santo Niño de Cebu Sally Famarin presented a beautiful cape for the santo Niño at the Basilica in Cebu City during the Balik-Mandaue which she headed from San Francisco. Sally made the cape herself in the US. Velvet gold and red material she covered it with teardrops, sequins and beads. Below photo: In same year of Balik-Mandaue '85 Sally traveled with the leaders of the Santo Niño de Cebu chapter in Long Beach-Los Angeles area and visited the Santo Niño factory in Cebu, Philippines

Cebu's Largest-Circulated Daily

The Freeman

Cebu City, Philippines

The miraculous image of the Santo Niño was taken on a procession yesterday with thousands of devotes taking part Among those who joined the procession were City Mayor Borres, ex-Vice Gov. Sal Fernandez and Customs Collector Fernando Faberes (left) and Knights of Columbus (right).—

High Mass highlights Sto. Niño fete today

A pontifical high mass to be officiated in the specially-constructed templete at the Basilica Minore del Santo Niño (formerly San Agustin) by Julio Cardinal Rosales will highlight the celebration of the feast of the Santo Niño today.

Rev. Fr Restituto Suarez, Santo Niño rector, said th templete was put up to provid more space to the thousands o devotees coming from all ove the country and some parts o the world to attend the Sant Niño festivities.

Commissioner Sally B.Famarin, Hermana Mayor and Mayor Eulogio Borres,Hermano Mayor, of the Santo Niño de Cebu festival at the Basilica in Cebu City,Philippines in 1977.

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Preparing the decorations of the Traditional caroza of the Santo Niño de Cebu for the Traditional religious parade in San Francisco.

DURING MY DAYS IN CEBU WITH CLOSE FRIENDS

At the Tropical Hut, Cebu City in 1946 getting ready for our drill exercises.

In 1948, Mahayahay, Mandaue town fiesta, Cebu, Philippines, I was the President of the bicycle race.

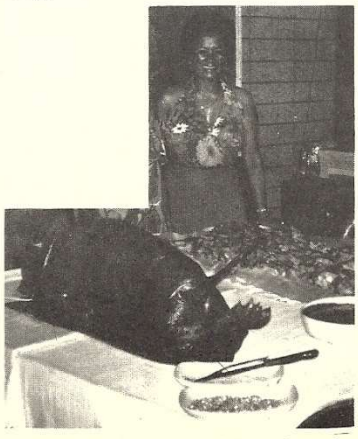
In 1946 - getting ready for a shopping spree, Cebu City, Philippines.

After our bicycle practice in 1947 with Flora Adriatico.

Cebu's Golden Era of Progress, parade in 1978 in Jones Avenue in Cebu City, Philippines.

My younger sister Estefa Basiga Estillore and I at the age of 18, Cebu City, Philippines.

At the sundeck of Mammie Quiling at Banawa, Cebu City during my Balikbayan phase II in 1974.



Filipino Fiesta is not complete without the lechon, and of course the hanging rice that goes with it. Delicious, isn't it? Mandaue Fiesta in 1975, Philippines.

Going swimming? Probably at the roof garden of the Tropical Hut in Cebu City, but we are really going to the famous Talisay Beach in Cebu, Philippines.

Memories from Her Scrapbook

A member of the National Housing conference, Sponsors Mayor Dianne Feinstein Banquet pauses with Mayor and other Committee members.

With Mayor Diane Feinstein.

Sally's political allies in San Francisco

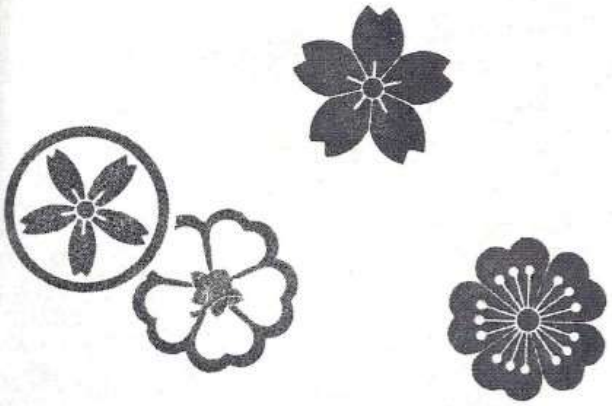
National Filipino-American Political Forum was organized by Sally Famarin to support candidate of their choice.

Supervisors Lee Dolson and Mendy Nelder President of the Board of Supervisors during the party tendered in their honor at Sally's residence.

Political leaders in the Filipino Community get together at the Diamsalang house in San Francisco.

With the late U.S. Congressman Philipp Burton at Sally's residence.

With Mayor Glen Olea and Leonard Velasco, Monty Manibog and the Aseras.



With Commissioner Al Lanier and Stewart Morton of Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board.

Filipino women for Governor Deukemejian of California.

With Cebu delegation Mayor Ronald Duterte and Consul General Arguelles on a courtesy call to Mayor George R. Moscone of San Francisco.

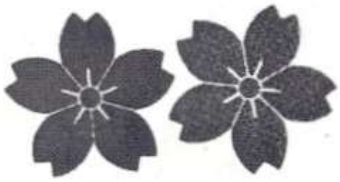
With California State Senator Milton Marks and Co. at St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco.

Filipinos for Supervisor Bob Mendelsohn spearheaded by Sally B. Famarin.

Filipinos for Deukemejian for Governor of California.

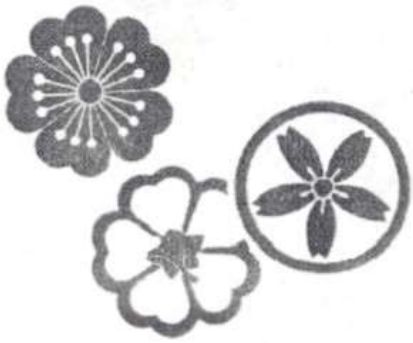
Sally with Supervisor Roger Boas of San Francisco and Samson Sabalones Philippine Consul General in San Francisco.

With Mayor of Salinas Henry Hibino and Vice Mayor John Vondracek, in Salinas City, California.

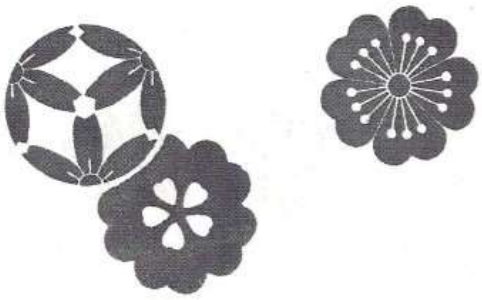


With Colonel Pique, 6th Army of San Francisco Presidio, speaker of the House of Representatives of Calif. Leo McCarthy and California Senator Milton Marks.

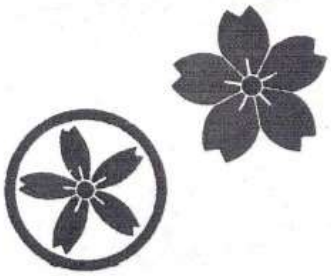
With President of San Francisco Board of Supervisors Wendy Nelder at a party in Sally's residence.



Sally with the Committee for reelection of Mayor Joe Alioto of San Francisco.



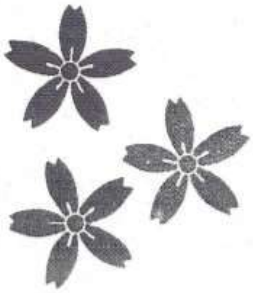
Supervisor Harry Britt dances with Sally at the Kasama Dance of San Francisco.



Party for Supervisor and Mrs. Peter Tamaras of San Francisco at Sally's residence (above). Judge S. Lee Vavuris guest speaker of Festival in 1982 in San Francisco (left).

Assemblyman Art Agnos presented the Plaque of Distinction to Sally.

Mayor Florentino Solon of Cebu City, Republic of the Philippines, signs his message for the Santo Niño de Cebu Enthronement in San Francisco as Commissioner Famarin looks on.



Swearing-in· Ceremony, Landmarks preservation Commission by Mayor George R. Moscone of San Francisco.

Focusing daughter Sally Anne with her co-employees at Crocker National Bank during "Join the Dance" at Sheraton Palace Hotel.

Capt. Frank Jordan of the San Francisco Police Dept. congratulates Sally B. Famarin.

At Redondo Beach Picnic with Rosy Recana, Judge Mel Recana and Hermie Ronquillo of Los Angeles, California. (left) Sally B. Famarin on the keyboard at her office.

SALLY B. FAMARIN
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Sally spearheaded the reception party for F. Fred Bitanga at the Joseph's Church.

With the officers and some members of St. Joseph's Senior Citizen after the Sunday dance.

Sally Famarin, one of the Special Guests during the Coronation and Ball of Queen of Fil-Am Senior Citizens of San Francisco. Sally and her gift to Cavite Association of California, a statue of Our Lady of Sorrows whose Fiesta is celebrated in San Francisco every November.

Sally and her gift, a statue of Our Lady of Sorrows.

Sally delivers a message to the Fil-Am Council during the Banquet and Ball at the Jack Tar Hotel with the Consul General Samson Sabalones and other leaders in the Bay Area.

Ronnie and Gloria Duterte with the Cebu City delegation, Oct. 29, 1977 in a visit to Mayor Moscone.

Presenting the award to Senior Citizen President Pat Caragay with Judge Ina Gyemant and District Attorney Arlo Smith in San Francisco.

Photo shows Sally inducting Palompon Association of America officers (1984)

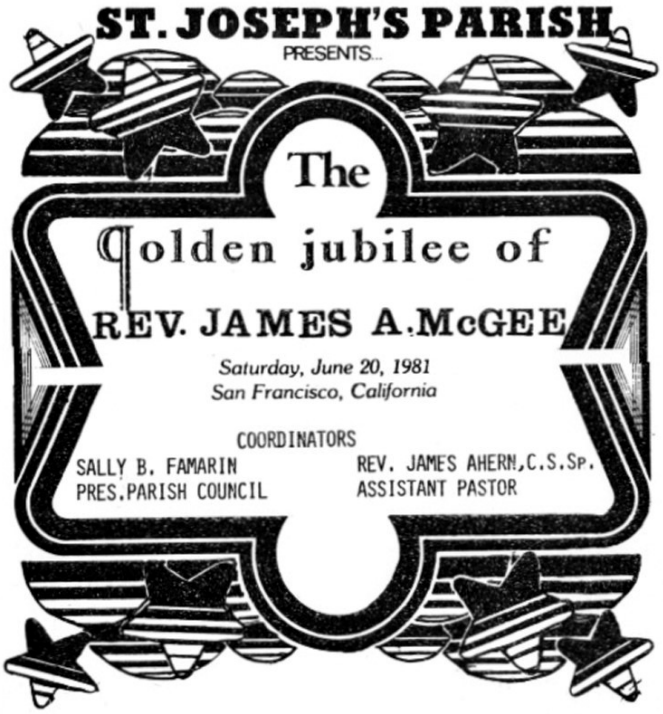
During the Salinas-Cebu Sister City delegation, Sally, one of the members of delegation. Tartanilla from Cebu displayed at Salinas City Hall. A gift from Mayor Borres of Cebu, the Sister City.

Chairman of the Banquet and Ball at the Sheraton Palace Hotel in San Francisco sponsored by the Filipino-American Society.

During the Banquet in honor of the Vice President of the Philippines Fernando Lopez at the San Francisco Hotel in 1969 in San Francisco.

At a Banquet and Ball at the Sheraton Palace Hotel with the Consul General of the Philippines Ambassador and Mrs. Moreno.

PHILIPPINE AIRLINE EXECUTIVES, TRAVEL AGENTS, REALTOR SALLY B. FAMARIN AND OTHER BUSINESS EXECUTIVES IN THE BAY AREA DURING A DINNER CONFERENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA IN ONE OF CHINATOWN'S FAVORITE RESTAURANTS.



The Parish Council of St. Joseph's

cordially invites you to attend

The Golden Jubilee Priesthood

of

Rev. James A. McGee

on

Saturday, June 20, 1981

Concelebrated Mass at St. Joseph's Church
5:30 P.M.
Most Reverend John R. Quinn
Archbishop of San Francisco
Main Celebrant

Followed by

Banquet and Ball, Sheraton Palace Hotel
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Cocktails: 6:30 P.M.
Dinner: 7:30 P.M.

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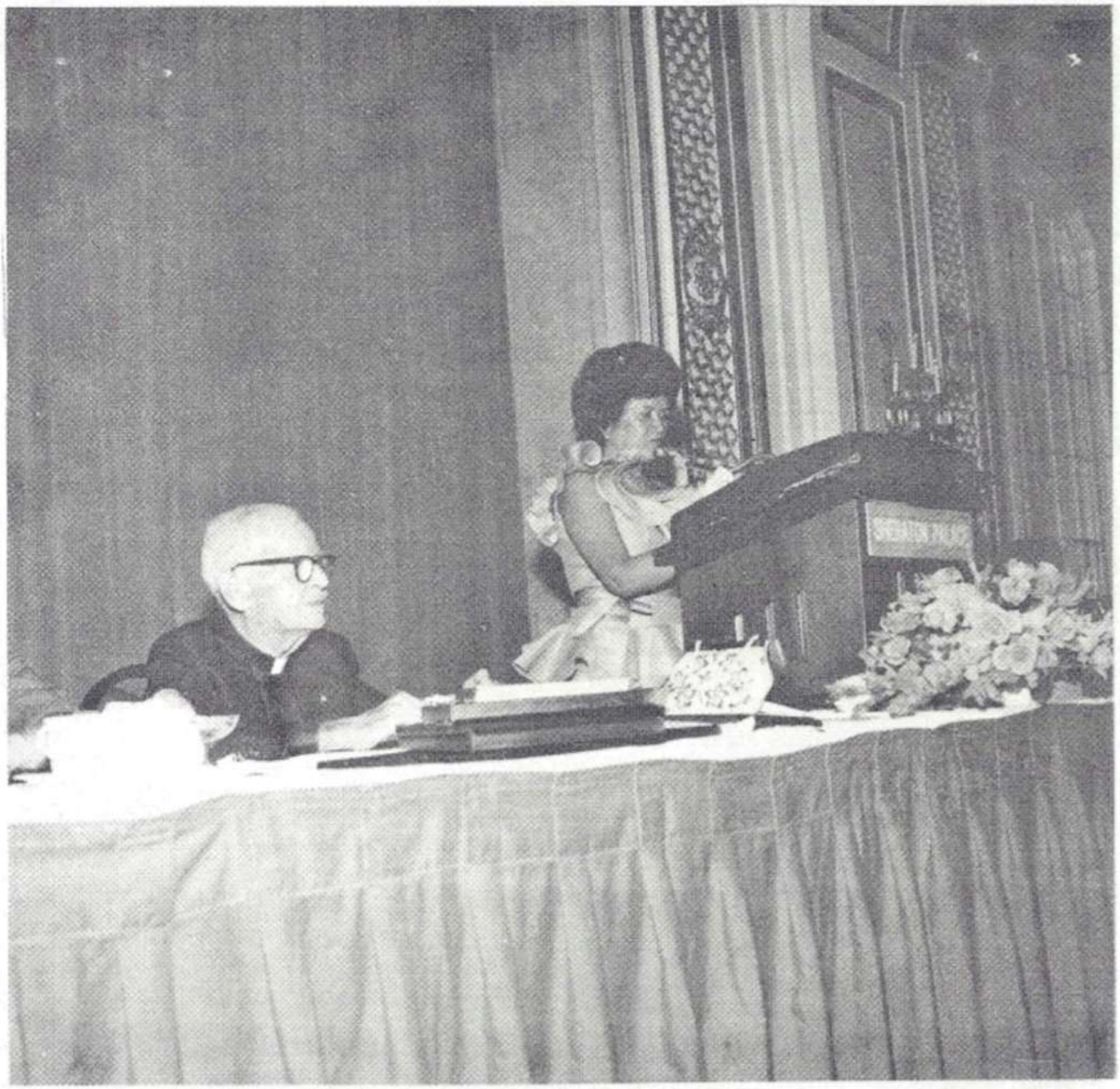


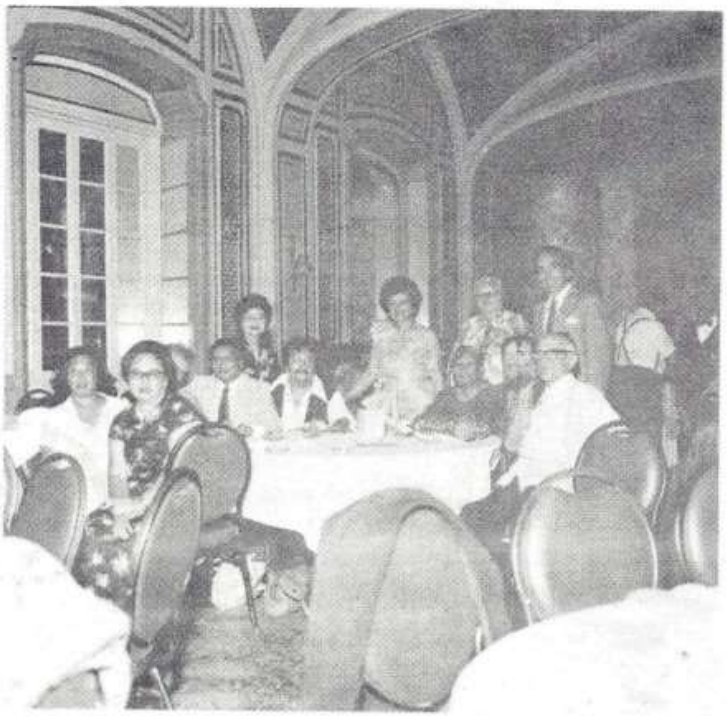
Sally Famarin giving Fr. James McGee's Eulogy during his Golden Anniversary Celebration of ordination to the priesthood, Fr. McGee said on his acceptance speech; "This woman is really something, I was not supposed to know about anything until the day of my testimonial. She just goes on and on, I don't think she ever sleeps."

Rita,Luz, Mayor Duterte,Sally and Art Padua, Philippine Tourism Attache

Photo below shows the installation of officers of the Filipino American Senior Citizens of San Francisco and the Bay Area by Honorable Judge Ronald Quidachay and General Adviser,Sally B.Famarin

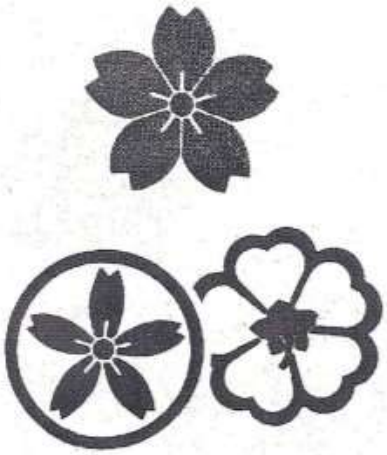
SALLY WITH OFFICERS OF THE JAYCEES DURING THE BANQUET AND BALL AT ANAHEIM CONVENTION CENTER. BELOW, SALLY WITH THE JAYCETTES DURING THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Priests flocked around Sally Famarin during the Golden Anniversary of Fr. James McGee of St. Joseph's Church.



Banquet and Ball at the Sheraton Palace during Fr. James McGee's Golden Anniversary to the Priesthood.

Sally chats with colleagues, Landmarks Board Commissioner of San Francisco.



Sally with Mayor Ronald and Gloria Duterte of Cebu City during their visit at Sally's residence in San Francisco, California.

Sally Famarin tendered a reception in honor of Mayor Eulogio Borres of Cebu City when he first came to the United States at A. Sabellas Restaurant, Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco. Reception was well attended.

A conference during the Cebu Sister City delegation to Salinas California, with Mayor of Cebu Eulogio Borres and Consul General of the Philippines in San Francisco Ambassador Romeo Arguelles.

Mayor Eulogio E. Borres delegation Salinas — Sister City delegation, Sally one of the members and admiring the cross street HACIENDA.

President Ferdinand Marcos, First Lady Imelda Marcos. Reception at St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco.

Sally one of the hostess in a party at Sacramento California at the State Capitol Former Vice-Governor Reinecke, MC of the evening.

Sally poses at the City Hall Rotunda in San Francisco.

Presenting the trophy to Queen Jeannie.

A special Guest at the Jack Tar Hotel, Sally sits by supervisor Ronald Pelosi of San Francisco.

Sally, the honorary adviser of the Fil-American Senior Citizen of San Francisco and the Bay Area in 1983 during the Installation of officers. Sally acted as Minister of Ceremonies.

Seamstress

Here are a few gowns in these photos that were sewn and hand-made by Sally

Decades later, the dresses are worn by her great-granddaughters.
Neither have ever met their great-grandmother.

Dad - Carsiolo Tagle Famarin

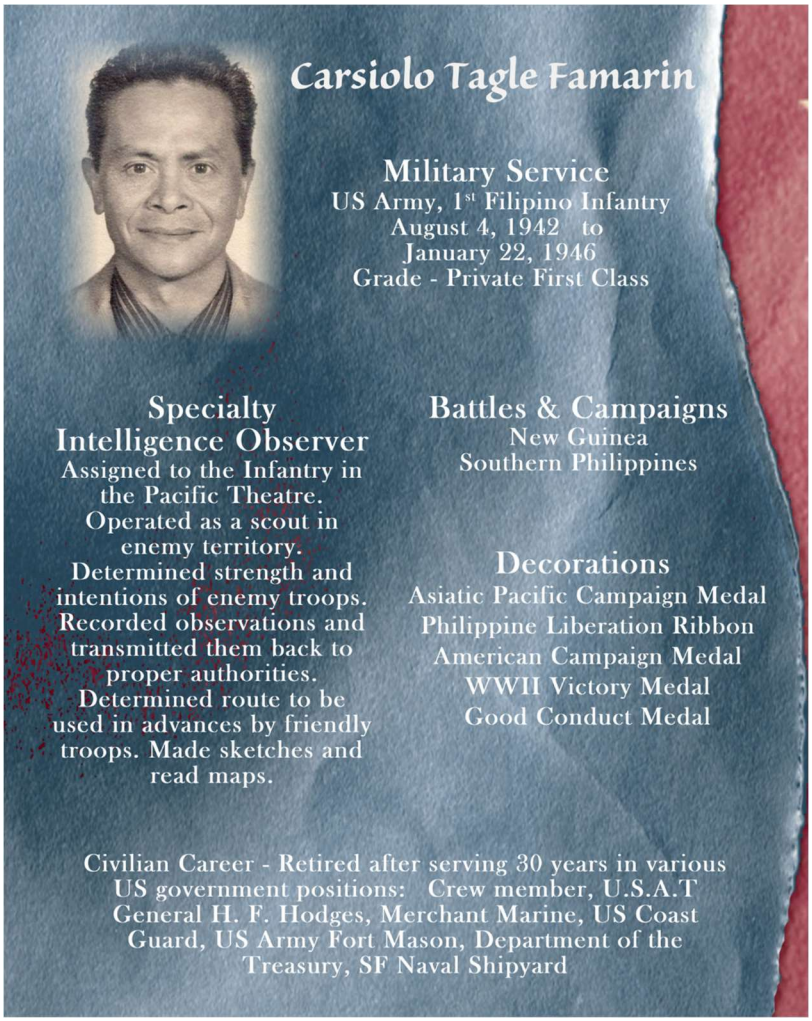
I thought I knew our Dad but actually did not, his history that is. After chatting with a few friends, none of us did. Our Dad's never shared their life's history. I always thought he migrated to the United States with my Mom in 1950 resulting from his service in the US Army.

In 2017 1 learned more. For Filipino History Month the local Asian Community Center (ACC) hosted an event with viewing of two films, and had a historical display of Filipino Veterans. One of the films was so moving, which was actual footage of what the Filipino soldiers endured during the war. Heartbreaking. This prompted me to find out more about him, so I contacted our step-Mom, Nanay Frances, to find out if she had any records of his military service. Equipped with my laptop, flatbed scanner and, with Cati, we visited Nanay Frances and discovered a wealth of information.

We discovered his participation in the US Army. We are so proud to learn of his achievements, and that he was a scout!

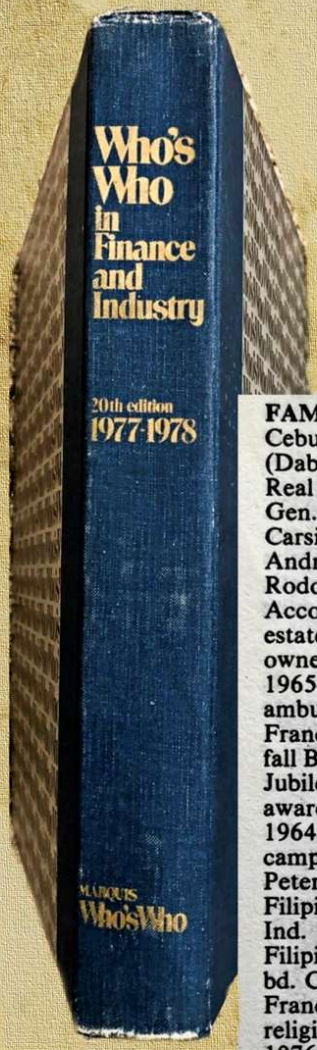
We also learned that he had been living in the United Stales since the 1930's. Wow! Before enlisting in the US Army in 1942 at age 32, he worked in an Alaskan cannery and for farms in California.
Dad was born in 1911 in Makato, Aklan. Mom and Dad were married in Cebu, Philippines February 5, 1950. Mom, soon after, migrated to the US.

Dad was an easy-going guy. He belonged to a band, was the lead singer and played the guitar and ukelele. I remember we had a vintage record player in the house that played 78's! He kept us kids in line! Weekly we had set chores to be done and he ensured we did them. The house was always tidy. He was a great, great cook! Better than Morn. so many precious memories, never forgotten.



Dad received the Congressional Gold Medal for the Filipino Veterans of WWII, 1st Filipino Infantry in 2018.

Who's Who



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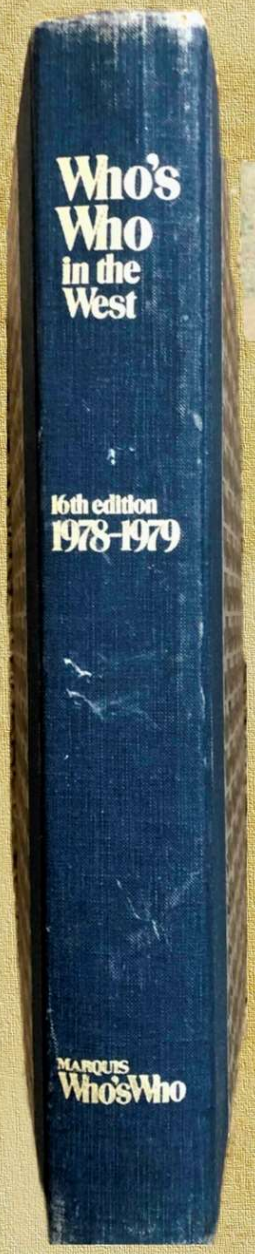

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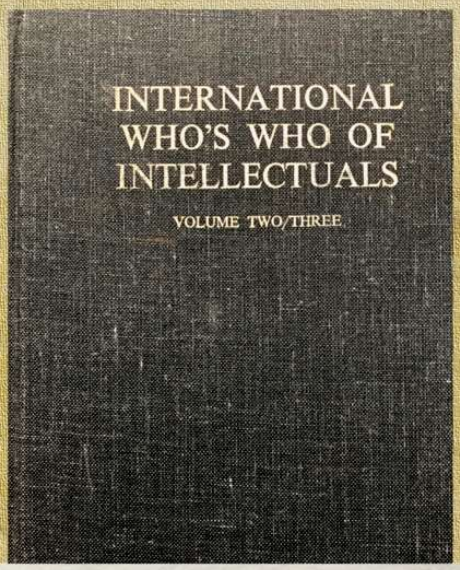

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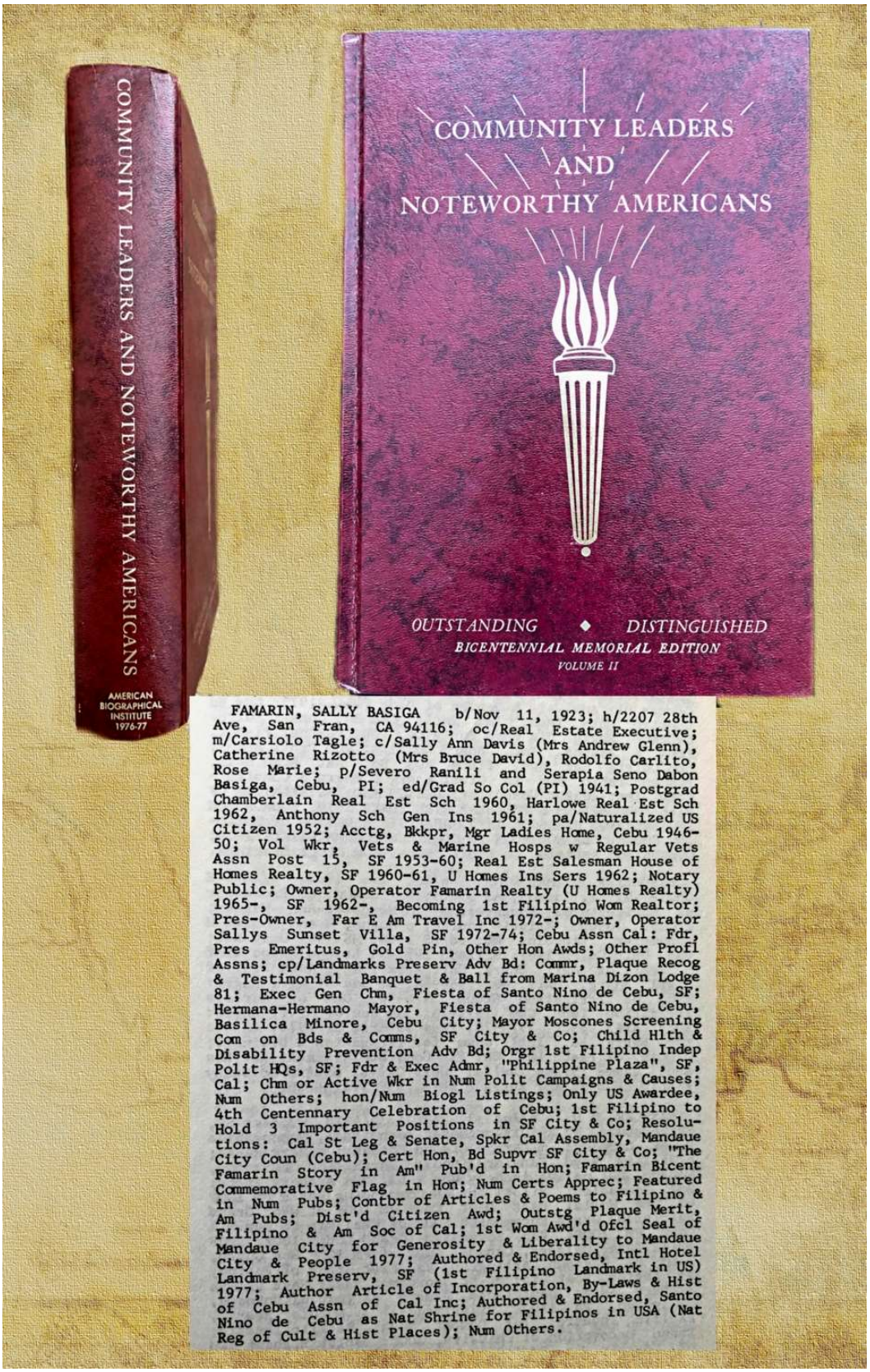
Sally Basiga Famarin is a real estate executive, born on 11 November 1923 in Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines, daughter of Severo Ranili and Serapia Seno (Dabon) Basiga. She was married to Carsiolo Tagle Famarin on 5 February 1950 and they have three daughters, Sally Anne Famarin Davis, Catherine Famarin Rizotto and Rose Marie and one son, Rodolfo Carlito. She graduated from Southern College, Cebu in 1941 and undertook postgraduate study at Chamberlain Real Estate School, USA, in 1960, Harlowe Real Estate School in 1962 and Anthony School of General Insurance. She came to the USA in 1950 and became a naturalized citizen in 1952. She had various positions in Cebu from 1946 to 1950. From 1960 to 1961 she was a real estate saleswoman for House of Homes Realty, San Francisco. She has been the owner and operator of Famarin Realty since 1962, and of United Homes Realty since 1965 became first Filipino Woman realtor in 1962, owner, operator of Sally's Sunset Villa, Ambulatory home for the aged in San Francisco since 1972 and has been a notary public since 1962. She was General Chairman of the banquet and ball Golden Jubilee Boy Scouts, Philippines US West Coast region in 1973, Chairman of Awards, Pioneer day picnic, Filipino Pioneers America, Oakland, California, in 1964, and coordinator on the committee of the Filipino American Friends of Senator Milton Marks Campaign, Californian Senate in 1972. She was general Chairman of the Committee of the Filipino American Friends of Peter Tamaras for San Francisco in 1973, active organizer of the first Filipino Independent Political Headquarters, in San Francisco and on the advisory board of the Filipino American Democratic Club in 1976. Chairman, Beauty Talent Pageant and general co-Chairman of the Filipino American Friendship Week in 1974, San Francisco. She has been a commissioner of the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, San Francisco, since 1976, a member of the Mayor's Screening Committee on Boards and Commissions in San Francisco, Child Health and Disability Prevention Advisory Board, San Francisco, since 1973, and active in numerous other civic organizations and groups. She is the recipient of a Certificate of Honor from the Regular Veterans Association, 1967, a testimonial dinner given in her honor by Cebu Association, California, in 1971, a Certificate of Honor from San Francisco Board of Superintendents, an outstanding placque of merit from the Filipino and American Society of California and numerous other awards, and honours including being the only US awardee, 4th Centennary Celebration, Cebu's Republic of the Philippines, Honorable Hermana Mayor, Santo Nino de Cebu, Basilica Minore Cebu City, 1977. She is the first woman given the highest honor and awarded the facsimile of the Official Seal of Mandaue City, Philippines and a recipient of the Robert C Howe Memorial Plate Award as 'Patroit' of the USA. She was given a testimonial Banquet and Ball by Cebu Association of California Inc and Marina Dizon Lodge 81, CDA for multifarious achievements and the World Emissary, Filipino Fiesta, Santo Niño de Cebu Week, Cebu Association of California Inc. She is also a member and organizer, Mandaue Association de Santo Niño and a Fellow Member of the American Biographical Institute. She is the author of "First Decade", Filipino Fiesta of Santo Niñno de Cebu, and authored and endorsed International Hotel Landmark, First Filipino Landmark in the US. She has contributed various articles and poems to Filipino and American Publications and is a member of various professional organizations including the National Association of Real Estate Boards, California Real Estate Association, San Francisco Real Estate Board and Founder, 1968 and President Emeritus, 1971-, Cebu Association. She is the Donor of "Traditional Carroza", Filipino Fiesta, Santo Niño de Cebu, San Francisco, 1978, and Founder, Philippine Gardens, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, 1976.



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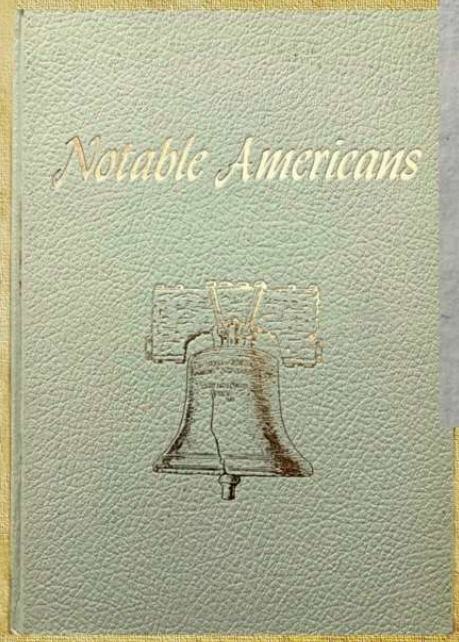

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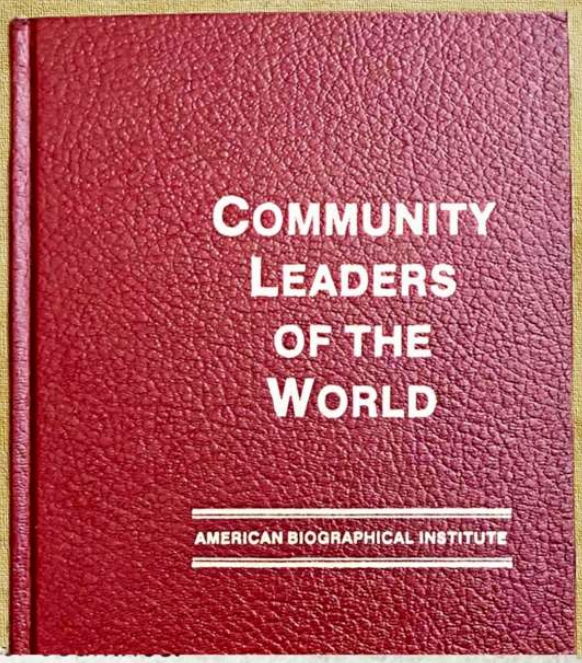

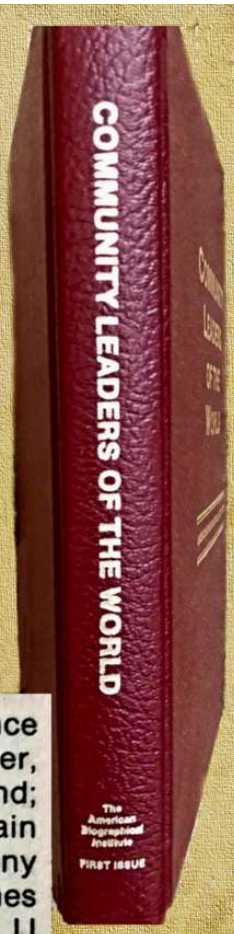

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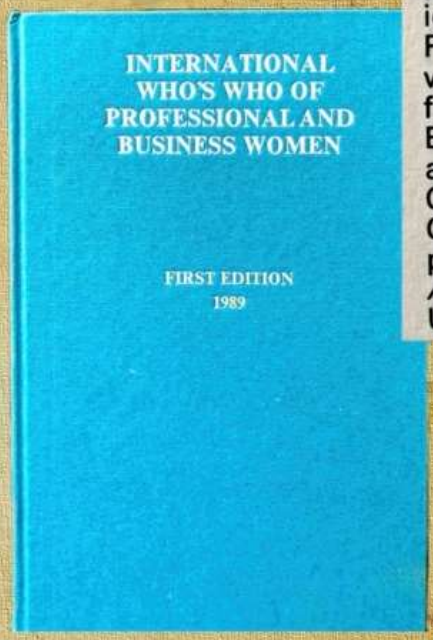

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- Graduate of Southern College, (now University of Visayas), Cebu, Philippines

1946-1950

- Accountant, bookkeeper and manager, Ladies Home, Cebu City, Philippines

February 5, 1950

- Married Carsiolo T. Famarin. Children: Sally Anne, Catherine, Rodolfo Carlito and Rose Marie

1950

- Migrated to the United States, San Francisco

1952

- Naturalized, United States citizenship

1953-1960

- Volunteer for the Veterans and Marine Hospitals with the Regular Veterans Association Auxiliary Post # 15, San Francisco; President

1960

- Postgraduate, Chamberlin Real Estate School

1960-1962

- Real estate sales for House of Homes Realty in San Francisco. Became the first Filipino Woman Realtor in California
- Broker and Owner, Famarin Realty in San Francisco

1964

- Chairman, Awards for the First Pioneer Day Picnic for the Filipino Pioneers of America, Oakland, California

1965

- Anthony School of General Insurance License
- Broker and Owner, United Homes Realty

1967

- General Chairman for the Silver Anniversary of the Fall of Bataan and Corregidor honoring the survivors of World War II in San Francisco
- Recipient of the Certificate of Honor from the Regular Veterans Association, and an outstanding Plaque of Merit from the Filipino American Society of California

1968

- Introduced the Filipino Fiesta and the veneration of the Santo Nino de Cebu, the Cebuano-Filipino's Patron Saint in San Francisco. This fostered the spirit of respect and understanding between the people of the Philippines and throughout American and various locations worldwide.

1970

- Featured in Who's Who Among Filipino Americans, Philippine News Publication

1971

- Testimonial Dinner held in honor of Sally Basiga Famarin by the Cebu Association of California as founder and President Emeritus. Presented with the Gold Pin Award

1972-1974

- Owner-Operator of Sally's Sunset Villa, an ambulatory home for the aged in San Francisco

1972

- President-Owner of Far East America Travel (FEATI)
- Coordinator of the Filipino American Friends for Senator Milton Marks Committee, campaign for the State Senate

1973

- General Chairman of the Filipino-American Friends of Peter Tamaras for San Francisco's Board of Supervisors
- Received the Certificate of Honor from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors for public recognition of distinction and merit as the first Filipino Woman Realtor in California, and as founder/ President Emeritus of the Cebu Association of California, Inc.
- Received the Certificate of Commendation and Appreciation from Mayor Joseph Alioto for leadership in the community and effective leader in various social, civic and political movements in our City and in Northern California
- Active organizer for the first Filipino Independent Political headquarters in San Francisco

1974

- Chairman, beauty talent pageant and General Co-Chairman for the Filipino American Friendship Week in San Francisco
- Featured in the 1974 Edition of Who's Who in The Golden State
- Honored at a Testimonial Banquet and Ball for her achievements: Who's Who in California and Who's Who of American Women given by the Filipino American Friends of Sally B. Famarin
- Resolution, State California Legislature, commendation for exemplary leadership of the Filipino American Community of San Francisco and distinguished professional achievements
- Resolution, Assembly Rules Committee, California Legislature for outstanding record of diligent and devoted community service
- Member of the Filipino American Chamber of Commerce

September 1974-1979

- Member, Advisory Board, Child Health and Disability Prevention Program, City & County of San Francisco.

1975

- Graduated, H & R Block, Income Tax Service
- General Chairman, Banquet and Ball, Golden Jubilee, Boy Scouts of the Philippines, US West Coast region

- Involved in the Literary-Musical Program, a Testimonial given by the city and people of Mandaue City and its officials, Republic of the Philippines. Presented with the plaque for the Most Successful Woman Award in Mandaue City, along with a Certificate of Recognition for High Frequency Siren and her personal donation to the city and her people.
- Co-Chairperson for George Moscone's race for Mayor in San Francisco
- Featured in the Marquis World Press, and leading newspapers and magazines in North America

1976

- Commissioner for the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, San Francisco
- Chairperson, Filipinos for Bob Mendelsohn, California State Senate
- Awarded Bicentennial Plaque by Impressions of American Historical Society
- Recipient of the Certificate of Appreciation for the Filipino-American Lions Club of San Francisco
- Presented with the Certificate of Honor from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors as founder and President Emeritus of Cebu Association of California, Inc. for the sponsorship of the Santo Nino de Cebu Festivities in San Francisco for straight eight years, and in appreciation for her outstanding efforts and leadership on behalf of the Filipino community and all San Franciscans.
- Honored at a Testimonial Banquet and Ball given by the Cebu Association of Ca1ifornia Inc. and the Marina Dizon Lodge # 81 for being the first Filipino to hold three important positions in the City & County of San Francisco: Mayor George Moscone's Screening Committee on Boards and Commission, Child Health and Disability Prevention Advisory Board, and Commissioner Landmarks Preservation City Planning Department.
- Resolution by the Speaker of the Assembly, California State Legislature, Leo McCarthy, for recognition for exemplary leadership, professional achievements and public involvement in the San Francisco community
- Resolution by the Assembly Rules Committee, California State Legislature, by Senator John F. Foran for her outstanding record of dedicated and highly effective service on behalf of the citizens of the City & County of San Francisco
- Member, Mayor Eulogio Borres' Cebu City delegation to Salinas, the sister City of Cebu, Philippines
- Author and procurer of the Mayor's Proclamation of the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu every third week of January annually in San Francisco. Spearheaded the Filipino Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu Week since its founding in 1968.
- The first Filipino to serve on the Mayor's Citizens Committee celebrating the birthday of San Francisco
- Founder, Mandaue Association de Santo Nino, a sister organization of the Cebu Association of California, Inc.
- Featured-
    - Who's Who of the Platform, a publication of the International Platform Association founded by Daniel Webster as the American Lyceum Association
    - Dictionary of International Biography, Cambridge, England
    - Patriots of the American Bicentennial
    - World Who's Who of Women
    - People Who Matter, North American Edition
    - Personalities of the West and Mid-West
    - Filipino Guide To San Francisco
    - Who's Who in America
    - Women In Business, North American Edition
    - The International Register of Profi1es, World Edition
    - International Who's Who of Intellectuals

- The International Who's Who in Community Service
- Who's Who in the World
- Personalities of the South and Personalities of America; a Commemorative Anniversary edition, compiled of extremely competent individuals whose exceptional achievements and personal directives have significantly affected the course of not only American but International growth.

- Professional Affiliations:
  - National Association of Real Estate
  - California Real Estate Association
  - San Francisco Board of Realtors
  - Multiple Listing Service of San Francisco
  - National Salesman's Association
  - American Society of Notaries
  - International Platform Association
  - National Historical Society, Washington. D.C.
  - National Historic Preservations of America

1977

- Hermana Mayor for the Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu held at the Basilica Minore in Cebu City, Republic of the Philippine's
- First Woman awarded the Facsimile, Official- Seal of Mandaue City, Republic of the Philippines for her generosity and liberality to Mandaue City & her people
- Authored and endorsed the International Hotel Landmark, the first Filipino landmark in the United States on the National Register of Cultural and Historical Places
- First Filipino awarded the Robert C. Howe Memorial Plate Award as Patriot of the United States of America during the Bicentennial year in 1976
- Coordinator, Cebu Association Chapters affiliates and sister organizations in the United States and foreign countries
- Author, First Decade Book of the Cebu Association and its Fiesta of the Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States
- Received Commendation as founder. President Emeritus and World Emissary, Cebu Association of California Inc.
- Donor, set of books to Mandaue City rescue unit, Cebu, Republic of the Philippines, January 1977
- Featured
  - Notable Americans
  - Who's Who in Finance and Industry
  - Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans
  - Who's Who in the West

1978

- Recipient, certificate of Proclamation as a fellow member, American Biographical Institute, and a selected subject of supreme achievements within the International community of man, being recognized as such by the Citizenry of the World
- Procurer, Replica donations, Image of the Santo Nino de Cebu, for the mother organization of the Cebu Association of California, Inc. aka Santo Nino de Cebu Association International and, also for the different chapters of the organizations
- Authored and endorsed, Cebu government resolution by Governor Eduardo Gullas and Mayors of Cebu, Philippines declaring Mayor George R. Moscone an adopted son of Cebu, presented by Sally Famarin, November 27, 1978

1979

- Recipient of the Biographical Record award, honoring the Honored by the International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England
- Featured
  - National Directory, New York, USA
  - Who's Who Among the Story My Life, Cambridge, England, an edition for the very famous and much fortune. This edition is registered and microfilmed in the library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
  - The Story of My Life library, St. Cloud, Minnesota, USA
  - Library of the Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England

1980

- Donor & Executive Director, Marble Chapel construction, Santo Nino de Cebu shrine at St. Joseph's church, San Francisco, California. Authored and endorsed, St. Joseph's Church, La Chapella del Santo Nino de Cebu in the United States, a City landmark. Voted unanimously by the San Francisco landmarks board, January 16, 1980 resulting in the construction of the National Shrine of the Filipinos in America and the Marble Altar in St. Joseph's Church.
- Marble Altar donor, Patron Saint of Gethsemane parish, Mandaue City, Republic of the Philippines
- Spearheaded, Judge Ina Gyemant for municipal court judge, City & County of San Francisco
- Spearheaded distinguished community service award, San Francisco, California. Awarded to government official leader, officers and members of the Cebu Association of California Inc. and individuals who has outstanding service to the community through different kinds of endeavors.
- The first Filipino woman Supervisorial candidate, City & County of San Francisco
- Featured
  - Who's Who Among the Best
  - The Best Realtors in America and the American Registry Series
  - Who's Who Filipinos in America and Men & Women of Distinction, World Edition, Cambridge, England

1982

- Organized the National Filipino American Political Forum,1982
- Recipient, Certificate of Honor from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, " In recognition of her tireless efforts and strong promotion of Philippine culture and heritage in all parts of the world as the founder, President Emeritus and World Emissary of the Santo Nino de Cebu Association International aka Cebu Association of California, Inc."
- Australian tour to present the Image of the Santo Nino de Cebu to the Australian chapter, August 1982

1983

- Featured, Contemporary Personalities, Academia de Italia.
- The Caribbean tour to St. Thomas. St. Johns and the Virgin Islands in June
- Recipient, Certificate of Honor from the Foreign Service of the Philippines which reads," In recognition of her role in promoting Philippine culture and Religious Heritage through the annual celebration of the Fiesta of the. Santo Nino de Cebu

1984

- Candidate, Democratic Central Committee, Assembly District #19, June of 1984
- Recipient, Most Distinguished Personality of 1984, a World Culture Prize
- Recipient, the World Who's Who of Women Award

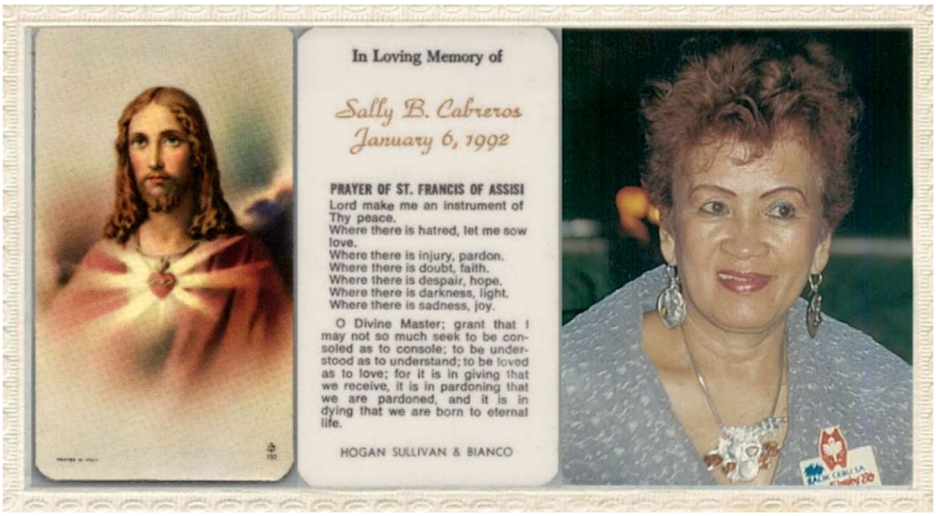
- Recipient, International Who's Who of Intellectuals Award
- Senior member, International Association of Real Estate Appraisers
- Spearheaded Supervisor Harry Britt campaign
- Trip to British Columbia and State of Washington to organize chapters of the Santo Nino de Cebu
- November 27,1984- January 4,1985-"Around the World Pilgrimage" touring: Japan, China, Singapore, Hong Kong, Thailand, Egypt, Jordan, the Holy Land, Jerusalem, Christmas in Bethlehem, Greece, the Vatican City, Rome, Italy at St. Peters Square with Pope John Paul II, New Year's Eve mass. Toured the Seven Wonders of the World.

1985

- Formed the Santo Nino Chapter in Manhattan, New York
- Served as the official tour leader for Balik-Mandaue '85. Accepted the key to Mandaue City from Mayor D.M. Cortes upon arrival at Mactan airport in Cebu on a red carpet reception prepared by the City Officials of Mandaue City, Philippines.
- Friends of Sally B. Famarin sponsored a Testimonial Champagne, hors d'oeuvres and ball in honor of her Realtors Silver Anniversary together with her 33 years community service at the Hall of F1owers, Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, California
- Awarded a certificate awarded for the establishment of the Sally Famarin Scholarship Foundation, signed by District Attorney Arlo Smith of San Francisco, California State Senator Milton Marks, California State Assemblyman Art Agnos, and Municipal Court Judge of San Francisco Ronald Quidachay
- From the Vatican, His Holiness, Pope John Paul 11 sends His message and Papal Blessings through the Secretariat of the State, "The Pope greatly appreciates your devoted sentiments and prayerful support, as well as your desire to assist him in his service to God's people throughout the world. I have the honor to assure you of His Holiness prayers and to convey to you His Apostolic blessings," dated February 13,1985 , a message to Sally Famarin for her Silver Anniversary, 1985.
- General Adviser, Filipino American Senior Citizens of San Francisco and the Bay Area
- Organizing member, Sinulog Foundation, Inc. USA Chapter

1991

- Committee Member for the Annual. San Francisco Fair



Sally Basiga Cabreros y Famarin

Funeral services will be held Monday for Sally Basiga Cabreros y Famarin, a former member of the San Francisco Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board who was active in civic affairs under Mayors George Christopher, John Shelley, Joseph Alioto, George Moscone and Dianne Feinstein.

Mrs. Famarin died in San Francisco on Monday, after a long illness. She was 67.

A native of the Philippines, Mrs. Famarin moved to San Francisco in the early 1950s and became a realtor in 1960.

She was appointed to the landmarks board in 1976, by Mayor Moscone, and served until 1980. At the time of her death, she was vice president of the San Francisco Fair and Exposition.

She is survived by her husband, Wigberto Cabreros of San Francisco; two daughters, Sally Williams of Ontario, San Bernardino County, and Cathy Famarin of San Rafael; a son, Rudy of San Francisco; and three grandchildren. She is also survived by a stepson, Wigberto Cabreros Jr., who is in the U.S. Marines stationed in San Diego.

Family and friends will gather on Monday at 9:30 a.m. at the Hogan Sullivan and Bianco chapel at 1266 Ninth Avenue. Mass will be offered at 10 a.m. at St. Cecilia Church, 2555 17th Avenue, and burial will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma.

The Famarin family in 1972 with Cathay, Sally Anne, Rudy, Sally and Rosemarie.